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" Ella A. Hayward	" "
" Olive A. Knight	" "
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" Jennie B. Anderson	
" Anna B. Hall	" "
" Jessie E. Arbuckle, Superintendent	New Haven, Conn., Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial Deaconess Home, 576 George St.
" Estella J. Bowe	
" Harriet Griggs	" " "
" Harriet Russell	" " "
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" Winetta Stacks, Associate Supt	
Mrs. L. M. Evelsizer	" "
Miss Amanda Ford	" "
" Lellen Greenhalgh	" "
" Lydia E. Gerhart	" "
" Laura Haupt	" "
" Grace M. Jerauld	" "
" Mary M. Miller	" "
" Martha F. Neese	" "
" Lillian E. Reed	" "
" Ruby Santee	" "
" S. Ermine Wilber	" "
" Ercelia Yates	" "
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" Floy P. Cameron	" "
" Mary Collins	" "
" Emma F. Eyler	" "
" Ella M. Fieger	" "
" Alice M. Fulton	" "
" Grace L. Heffley	" "
" Jean V. Lowry	" "
" Mary P. Loyd	" "
" Sarah Marker	" "
" Annie E. Stewart	" "
" Augusta Vetesk	" "
" Sarah Wilcox	" "
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" A. Estella Fassett	" "
" Alice E. Foster	" "
" M. Blanche Dawson	" "
" Maude E. Herren	" "
" Rae Langille	" "
" Jessie E. Newland	" "
" Jennie O. Robinson	" "
" Irene Worrell	" "

Miss Cordelia E. Robinson, Superintendent	Salt Lake City, Utah, Davis Deaconess Home, 347 Fourth East Street.
" Laura M. Balmer	
" Elizabeth Bellis	" "
" Winifred M. Crispin	" "
" Minnie I. Jones	" "
" Harriet E. Laney	" "
" Ida R. Watson	" "
" Susie Morton, Superintendent	Sioux City, Ia., Shesler Deaconess Home, 1222 Jackson Street.
" Alice I. Bielski	
" Grace Dawson	" "
" Elizabeth Humphrey	" "
" Mabel Murrell	" "
Mrs. Anna Othiem	" "
Miss Ida M. Pearce	" "
" Dora Rerick	" "
" Mae Smith	" "
" Clara Naylor	Springfield, Mo., Ellen F. Burge Deaconess Hospital, 1327 Jefferson Street.
" Stella Conner, Superintendent	St. Paul, Minn., Minnesota Conference
" Christine Andersen	Deaconess Home, 181 W. College Avenue.
" Maria Douhan	" " "
" Cora Erwin	" " "
" Annie Goodwin	" " "
" Hannah Nelson	" " "
" Verta M. Naylor	" " "
" Marion E. Perry	" " "
" Mary Johnston	" " "
" Emma Enders, Superintendent	Toledo, Ohio, Ellen B. Flower Deaconess
" Inez A. Bates	Home and Hospital, 3349 Cherry Street.
" Abigail L. Symonds	" " "
" Lida Woodruff	" " "
" Mary Vermilya	" " "
Mr. William A. Davis, Superintendent	Urbana, Ill., Cunningham Children's Home.
Mrs. Wm. A. Davis, Matron	" " "
" Mae Ledgerwood	" " "
" Ada O. Naylor	" " "
Miss Hattie E. Davis	Utica, N. Y., Italian Mission Deaconess Home, 139 Elizabeth Street.
" Ella M. Orme	
" Harriet Rice, Superintendent	Washington, D. C., Washington Deaconess Home, 917 O Street, N. W.
" Octavia Hicks	
" Mary A. Knapp	" "
" Stella Shriner	" "
" Edith L. Smith	" "
" Lucy Slomkowska	" "
" Mary L. Snyder	" "
" Hattie Worthington	" "
" Ida Miner	" "
" Ida Hickman, Superintendent	Wichita, Kan., Southwest Kansas Conference, Deaconess Home, 457 N. St. Francis St.
" Stella Corbin	
" Pauline Cook	" " "
" Ruth Hewitt	" " "
" May Hodges	" " "
Mrs. Ella Johnson	" " "
Miss Minnie Leebrick	" " "
" Martha Little	" " "
" Sara Walker	" " "
Mrs. Margaret A. Sweet, Superintendent	Wilmington, Del., Wilmington Deaconess Home, 841 Tatnall Street.
Miss Charlotte Arnold	
" Effie G. Achorn	" "
" Jennie L. Ferguson	" "
" Mary E. Gould	" "
" Helen A. Jones	" "
" Emma E. Kelly	" "
" Lula R. Morse	" "
" Anna Neiderheiser, Superintendent	Kansas City, Mo., Kansas City National Training School, Fifteenth Street, E., and Denver Avenue.
" Ethel Adkins	
" Mary Blaschko	
" Eunice Britt	" "
" Sarah Church	" "
" Elizabeth Curry	" "
" Bertha Cowles	" "
" Aletta M. Garrettson	" "
" Nettie Harris	" "
" Blanche Kinison	" "
Mrs. Mary B. Mauck	" "
Miss Minnie Pike	" "

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" Helen Stapp	
" Alice Walton	
Rev. Dr. E. R. Willis, President	San Francisco, Cal., San Francisco National Training School, 129 Haight Street.
Miss Lulu McMillin, Preceptress	
" Ecka M. Hewitt	" " "
" Elva L. Hadley	" " "
" Leona Osterhaut	" " "
" Ada A. Richardson	" " "
" Bessie V. Way	" " "
" Charlotte E. Jones	" " "
Rev. Dr. W. H. Wilder, President	Washington, D. C., Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School, 1150 North Capitol Street.
Miss Mary C. Peck	
" Mary DeGroat	
" Mary E. Herrold	" " "

DEACONESSES IN STATIONS.

Miss Grace G. Adams	Monrovia, Cal.
" Carrie Adams	Red Oak, Ia.
" Alberta Anderson	Fort Scott District, South Kansas Conference.
" Ada L. Applegate	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
" Clara Baxter	Salina, Kans.
" Margaret F. Bell	548 Veronica Avenue, E. St. Louis, Ill.
" Susetta Blackman	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" Blanche M. Brackney	Kokomo, Ind.
" Ada Breakenridge	Pasadena, Cal.
" Martha E. Bowers	Ridgeway, Pa.
" Grace Clark	14 Dickinson Street, Binghamton, N. Y.
" Martha J. Collins	Rochester, N. Y.
Mrs. C. A. Converse	Syracuse, N. Y.
Miss Mary Crawford	Washington, Ia.
" Grace W. Coventry	Olive Hill, Ky.
" Lottie Conner	Indianapolis, Ind.
" Myrtle Corneil	Pueblo, Colo.
" Donna E. Cooley	Olive Hill, Ky.
" Millicent Corps	St. Albans District, Vt.
" Lucy Curtis	Belleville, Kans.
" Irene Duncan	Indianapolis, Ind.
" E. Hilda Evans	534 Pear Street, Scranton, Pa.
" Margaret Flanders	Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.
" Blanche Freeman	Chanute, Kans.
" Edith Gorby	Albuquerque, New Mexico.
" Althea Gift	Siloam Springs, Ark.
" Jane Hawkins	Kansas City, Mo.
" Aura Hopkinson	Burlington, Ia.
" Sarah B. Heisler	Patterson, N. J.
" Essie Jebb	Oakland, Cal.
" Martha Joiner	St. Louis, Mo.
Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson	509 South Broadway Street, Middletown, Ohio.
Miss Elizabeth Larrish	Mt. Carmel, Pa.
" Mabel Lamb, Superintendent	Ellen Stark Ford Home, San Francisco, Cal.
" Ella M. Lathrop	Port Chester, N. Y.
" Emma R. Lane	Oakland, Cal.
" Ethel Lei Van	St. Joseph, Mo.
" Sarah E. Mardoff	Harrisburg, Pa.
Mrs. Grace Mettler	Provo, Utah
Miss Anna Morris	Indianapolis, Ind.
" Elizabeth Ogden	Upper Iowa Conference.
" Sadie Osborne	Indianapolis, Ind.
Mrs. Helen R. Peck	Sacramento, Cal.
Miss Carrie I. Pierson	Angel Island, San Francisco, Cal.
" Frances E. Platt	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" Josie Ragle	Indianapolis, Ind.
" Beulah Rayson	Emporia District, South Kansas Conference.
" Lucy J. Reas	Watsonville, Cal.
" May Reed	San Pedro, Cal.
Mrs. Carrie E. H. Reynolds	Bristol, Conn.
Miss Edna A. Ruhlen	Ellsworth, Kans.
" Mary J. Ryan	St. Joseph, Mo.
" Nellie Sanborn	Fresno, Cal.
" Eunice Sayre,	Pasadena, Cal.
" Sadie J. Sheffer	Altoona, Pa.
" Bessie Sias	Cedartown, Ga.
" Jessie Slough	Indianapolis, Ind.
" Rosa Simpson	Marshall, Texas.

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" Margaret Snyder.....Rochester, Minn.
" Daisy Stewart.....Topeka, Kans. District.
" Vievie Souders.....Ocala, Fla.
" Sarah P. Taylor.....Independence District, South Kansas Conference.
" Adda May Trout.....Altoona, Pa.
" Lucy Valentine.....Montclair, N. J.
" Henrietta Van Dam.....Los Angeles, Cal.
" Mary Virmilya.....Flower Home for Girls, Toledo, Ohio.
" Lulu Wann.....Boaz, Ala.
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" Jessie Williams.....North Nebraska Conference.
" Alice E. Willison.....516 Broadway Street, Waterloo, Ia.

DEACONESSES ON DETACHED SERVICE.

Miss Etta Babbitt.....Baker University, Baldwin, Kans.
" Annie Bassett, (retired).....Old People's Home, Circleville, Ohio.
" Addie Benedict.....Salina, Kans.
Mrs. H. Ida Benson.....Warren, R. I.
Miss Lillian Bishop.....Alton, Ill.
" Katherine Bowerman.....Quincy, Mich.
" Olivia Bostrom.....Portland, Ore.
" Minnie M. Christy.....Dunlap, Ia.
" Alice Fisher.....Colorado Springs, Colo.
Mrs. C. W. Horton.....Ionia, Mich.
Miss Mary Hunnings, (retired).....Allegheny, Pa.
" Elenora Hubbell.....Washington, Ia.
" Flora Jacobs.....Elsinore, Cal.
" Leslie Lane.....Oskaloosa, Kans.
" Daisy Mabry.....2949 37th Street, Denver, Colo.
" Ida M. Mitchell.....184 C State Street Hammond, Ind.
" Caroline Rotes, (retired).....1536 Galpin Street, Denver, Colo.
" Ollie Stewart.....Drexel, Mo.
" Maude Steichelman.....Kansas City, Mo.
" Stella L. Shriner.....Congress Heights, D. C.
" Cartes K. Swartz.....181 W. College Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.
" Nettie M. Swartz.....New Oxford, Pa.
" Florence Twidwell.....Eugene, Ore.
" Daisy Whipple.....Hermiston, Ore.
" Anna Wharton.....Lyons, Kans.
" Lydia Hodek.....1112 No. 9th St., East St. Louis, Ill.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Thirtieth Annual Meeting

HELD IN

TRINITY CHURCH, WICHITA, KAN.,

OCTOBER 19-26, 1911.

THURSDAY MORNING.

THE Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Trinity Church, Wichita, Kansas, Thursday morning, October 19, 1911, at 9 o'clock.

After the singing of "Faith of our fathers, living still," the President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, Mich., presented the Rev. W. J. Martindale, D. D., long an honored member of the Kansas Conference, who conducted the devotional service.

A portion of the fourteenth chapter of Matthew and the eighth chapter of Mark was read, showing the tender compassion of the Savior for the multitude to whose needs He ministered.

After earnest prayer for the Divine blessing upon all the interests of the Society and its workers everywhere, the service closed with the singing of "I love to tell the story."

Mrs. F. A. Aiken, of Cincinnati, Ohio, Recording Secretary, organized the Convention.

The following ladies were nominated by Mrs. Aiken as Assistant Secretaries, and the nominations were confirmed : Mrs. E. L. Albright, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. D. D. Thompson, Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. M. H. Nason, Cleveland, Ohio; and Mrs. D. L. Rhone, Wilkesbarre, Pa.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, named the following ladies as a Committee to nominate the Standing Committees of the Convention, who were approved: Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. D. B. Street, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, Mrs. Nettie Tedrick, and Mrs. A. H. Webb.

The report of the Committee on Transportation was given by the Chairman, Mrs. O. P. McCarty, Baltimore, Maryland, and accepted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. I. D. Jones, the program prepared by the Committee on Program was made the official program of the Convention.

The editors of *The Daily Woman's Home Missions,* Mrs. Levi Gilbert and Mrs. Ward Platt, received greeting from the Convention.

The report of the Bureau for Mission Supplies was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. E. Y. King, of Lima, Ohio.

The report showed how the love which the Master placed above either faith or hope found its expression in the supply work of our Auxiliaries, and letters received from the recipients of our gifts indicated the most grateful appreciation.

Six hundred appeals from the frontier had been met. Homes and schools had not been overlooked. The total of these gifts amounted to $84,196.01. The report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Cincinnati, Ohio, was submitted, and exhibited the total receipts of the Society for the year ending July 31, 1911, to be $659,808.76, with cash supplies to the value of $83,710.26.

On motion of Mrs. I. D. Jones, the report was accepted with a hearty vote of thanks. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Clara L. Roach, the Doxology was sung.

Mrs. Robinson, the Rresident, called attention to the fact that while the Treasurer's report showed an increase in receipts above any previous year, that this increase was not great enough to warrant the taking on of greatly increased expenditures for new work,—that we were still doing our work on a narrow margin.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, a telegram of loving greeting was voted sent to Mr. George O. Robinson and Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, President Emeritus.

Messages of sympathy were also voted sent to Mrs. Wm. Christie Herron, First Vice-President; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Mrs. P. D. Perchment, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. Richard Dymond, Mrs. I. D. Reynolds, Mrs. William F. Boyd, Mrs. Frank Nortan, and Miss Frickey.

The report of the Auditors was read by Mrs. Jones, and adopted, with the acceptance of the suggestion that a certified valuation of our property be obtained. (See Report.)

While on the floor, Mrs. Jones desired to call attention to the fact that the number of members reported by the Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurers of many of our Auxiliaries do not tally. This discrepancy usually arises from the fact that the dues are not all collected. To aid in the collection of all dues, be it

Resolved, That the General Treasurer prepare a form of notification to be sent by the Auxiliary and Circle Treasurers, each year, to all members who have not paid their dues by April 1st.

Adopted on motion of Mrs. I. D. Jones, seconded by Mrs. Thompson.

The Conference Treasurers were invited to the platform, and introduced with mention of the length and character of their service.

A beautiful solo, "Hear us, O Father, now we implore Thee," rendered by Mrs. J. H. Turned, lifted the thought of the audience from business to praise and devotion.

The report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise, Mrs. Richard Dymond, Chairman, was read by Mrs. H. C. Jennings, showing the amount received from these during the past year to be $30,193.15.

Mrs. Thompson stated that about $30,000 from these sources had passed through the general treasury, but that considerable amounts had gone into Conference institutions that had not appeared in the general report of the treasury.

After discussion of the various rulings of the Society in the matter of bequests, on motion of Mrs. Potter, the request of the Treasurer that all such bequests pass through the treasury to be returned to the beneficiaries was approved, as this was the only way in which the true financial status of the organization could be shown.

On motion, this action was referred to the Committee on By-Laws, and the Treasurer, Mrs. Thompson, was requested to send a letter of instruction on this subject to Conference officers.

The report of the Committee on "Mite Boxes" was given by the Secretary, Mrs. E. M. Mills, of Syracuse, N. Y. The report was printed for distribution, and the Banner Conferences, those having over 1,000, were mentioned—the North Indiana, Detroit, Rock River, Cincinnati, East Ohio, Indiana, and Southern California. The report was adopted. (See Report.)

A discussion as to the character of the mite-boxes now in use resulted in ordering that a larger and more durable box be provided.

Mrs. W. S. Brown, of Indianapolis, was presented as the Chairman of the Committee on Hospitality, whose office was to inaugurate a communion of saints.

Grateful mention was made of the long and valuable service of our two Auditors, Mr. Richard Dymond and Mr. Geo. B. Johnson, who had died during the past year.

Mrs. Thompson stated that our books and accounts were under the supervision of an expert accountant.

Mrs. R. M. Piatt, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, made announcements; committees were called ;the benediction pronounced by the Rev. A. B. Hestwood, D. D., and adjournment followed until 2 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

AT ten minutes past 2 o'clock the second session of the Convention was called to order by the President.

The holy Communion was the order of the hour, with Rev. A. O. Ebright, D. D., District Superintendent of Wichita District, in charge of the service. Dr. Ebright was assisted by the Rev. W. J. Martindale, D. D., Secretary of the Conference Endowment Fund; Rev. D. D. Akin, D. D., District Superintendent of Hutchinson District; Rev. E. A. Hagh, D. D., a beloved retired minister of the Conference; Rev. W. D. Burus, D. D., District Superintendent, Pratt District; Rev. A. B. Hestwood, D. D., pastor of Trinity Church; and Rev. W. H. Wilder, D. D., President of our Lucy Webb Hayes Training School for missionaries and deaconesses.

The hymn, "'T is midnight, and on Olive's brow," was sung, and Dr. Wilder led in prayer.

The Scripture was read by Dr. Ebright, opening with the soul-inspiring command, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Appropriately following the Bible lesson, Mrs. Harvey Cain sang "O, love that will not let thee go."

Dr. Ebright, in extending the invitation to come to the table of our Lord, said that he need not exhort women so engaged in the work of the Master as those before him, but he would remind his own heart as he would ours that this is in commemoration of the death of our Lord upon the rugged cross—not upon a downy pillow of love. The reverent hush of the hour with its lessons to all hearts will long linger as a sweet influence in the life.

The President resumed the chair, and asked that "A charge to keep I have" be sung. After which she said Kansas is marked for high ideals largely because of the patient sacrifice of the pioneer Methodist minister.

The hour having arrived for the address of the President, Mrs. Robinson said, that in view of the disaster by flood to our Navajo Mission, Farmington, New Mexico, and the missionaries who were in charge being present, they should, by courtesy and by the interest we have in the rebuilding of this mission, the time on the program allotted to the address of the President and the report of the Corresponding Secretary should be given to this great interest of our Society. Mrs. Robinson's proposition was considered feasible only with the consideration that our officers be heard at some other time during the Convention.

"Shall we rebuild?" was the keynote sounded by the President as she invited Miss Katherine Bassett, Secretary of the Indian and Mexican Work, to the platform, with the request to bring her Navajo missionaries with her and introduce them to the Convention. Miss Bassett, with much

feeling, lamented the loss of one life—the destruction of our entire property, as well as the entire loss of all the clothing and equipment of the Home. Miss Bassett read letters from the citizens and the Board of Trade, stating that the "entire population of the San Juan Valley appreciated the grand, good work done by the Society in giving a Christian education to the children of the Navajo Indians in the vicinity of Farmington, and offering to assist in selecting a site for the school."

Miss Bassett said, "It is with a thankful heart that I introduce Mr. J. N. Simmons, Superintendent of the Home, a graduate of our Bennett Academy, Clarkson, Miss., who, by his heroic efforts, saved the lives of the family, and himself for thirty hours was kept above the surging waters by whatever he could reach and grasp for a moment's respite from the danger of certain death."

As Mr. Simmons stepped forward the audience rose, thus joining with the Secretary in the thankfulness expressed, to do honor to one so faithful and fearless to duty.

Mrs. Simmons; Mrs. Messenger, the nurse; Miss Franc Brown, the missionary who was absent from the Home with John Charles, an Indian lad of twelve, (a sample of our work Miss Bassett said), were presented.

Mr. Simmons said he had been but two and one-half months in Farmington.

The telephone presented by the Des Moines Conference had given the first warning of danger from the rising flood at 10 o'clock P. M.

The family retired when the hope came that they would be spared, as the waters were receding. But at 12.30 the hope vanished, and Mr. Simmons and Mr. Tice miraculously managed to get the family to a mesa—higher ground—and himself left thirty hours in danger before his rescue.

Mr. Tice, a faithful workman sent from Polo, Ill., to work on the building, took refuge on one of the outbuildings which was swept from under him and he was drowned. Two hundred have lost their lives in the San Juan River.

The Farmington Bank loaned Mr. Simmons three hundred dollars with which to purchase clothing for the missionaries and himself, and bring them to Wichita.

Again the President sounded the slogan—"Shall we rebuild?" Miss Brown said her first thought was, when she heard of the disaster, "The Navajos are not swept away!" There are 28,000 of them. America will not be for Christ until these are redeemed. The twenty-six little people who were in this Home must be saved. The way is open. "I know thy works. Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man shall close it." God may have blotted out that small work that this Society might get the vision of a larger one, not for the Navajos, but for Christ.

The consensus of opinion was we must rebuild, but above the danger line of the San Juan River and its tributaries. At once pledges were taken to first pay the $300 loaned Mr. Simmons by the Farmington Bank, the President giving the first ten dollars and Dr. Wilder the thirteenth ten dollars. The following Conferences each pledged ten dollars. (See Pledges.) Pledges amounted to $400.10; $275 from Conferences, $125 individual gifts, $65.10 basket collection.

The President announced that she had just received a $100 bond for the debt from Mrs. Bishop Quayle.

The time for the introduction of the Conference Corresponding Secretaries having arrived, the President invited these officers to form in line and come to the platform.

The President gave a pleasant word of greeting to each one as she was introduced, also naming her years of service. (See list of Corresponding Secretaries.)

After the opportunity to look into the faces of these faithful coworkers, the Conference Presidents were introduced in like manner. (See list of Conference Presidents.)

The report of Special Committee appointed at the morning session to nominate the Standing Committees for the Convention was submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, and the nominations, on motion, were confirmed as follows:

Courtesies.—Mrs. J. Thompson, Chairman; Mrs. A. B. Hestwood, Mrs. Fannie Lynch, Mrs. E. A. Hoyt, Mrs. W. H. Heppe.

Hospitality.—Mrs. Wm. T. Brown, with power to name associates.

Enrollment.—Mrs. D. B. Street, Chairman; Mrs. K. S. Burnett, Philadephia; Mrs. D. L. Tuttle, Genesee; Mrs. H. P. Thomas, Puget Sound; Mrs. E. L. Knostman, Kansas.

Secular Press.—Mrs. S. S. Billingsley, Chairman; Mrs. S. A. Bass, Miss Bertha Miller.

Church Press.—Miss Van Marter, with power to choose her assistants.

Pulpit Supply.—Mrs. W. Q. Burns.

Place of Meeting.—Mrs. Sara F. Guger, Mrs. J. M. Williams, Mrs. Harry Perkins, Mrs. Daniel Smith, Mrs. Candence L. Woods.

By-Laws.—Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Miss Bertha Fowler, Mrs. Wesley B. Stout, Mrs. F. M. Chanbas, Mrs. A. Stratford.

Resolutions.—Mrs. A. C. Peck, Mrs. A. B. Storms, Mrs. Hedley R. Woodward, Mrs. Anna Hobbs Woodcock, Mrs. Florence McGlone.

After announcements, the session adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Hoyt.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE Reception and Banquet held at the magnificent Scottish Rite Temple was attended by about one thousand persons, and was a delightful success in every particular. The decorations were of palms and roses, and the national flag, our Society's emblem, was profusely in evidence.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, presided as toastmistress. She spoke of the pleasure afforded the Convention of meeting in Kansas, the State leading the United States in some lines of moral work. She said she thought that every one knew what kind of an organization we are, but Governor Stubbs asked, "What kind of a Society are you?" So, for the benefit of all, Mrs. Robinson said, we have a membership of 172,000. Counting five to a family, that represents more than half a million people interested in our work. Our more than two hundred delegates come from nearly every State in the Union. We are here because we stand for country and God, for patriotism and religion.

Mrs. Robinson introduced the chief magistrate of the State, requesting that he tell what temperance has done for Kansas.

Governor W. R. Stubbs considered himself honored, he confessed, in being invited to address a Society of women whose object and aim were a noble inspiration to the national life of our country. He declared that he intended to enforce the laws, and spoke at length of the great effect of prohibition in the State of Kansas, and was repeatedly applauded.

The attendance of the Assistant Attorney-General of the State, Hon. C. W. Trickett, was an unexpected pleasure, and Mrs. Robinson asked him to speak. He responded by telling in a very few words of the good effects of prohibition, comparing his State with its prohibitory laws to neighboring non-prohibitory States, to the credit of Kansas.

Hon. W. C. Edwards, postmaster of Wichita, extended a hearty welcome to the city on behalf of the 60,000 citizens.

Rev. F. E. Mossman, D. D., President of Southwestern College, at Winfield, Kansas, welcomed the women on behalf of the ministers, and said that before there was need of a governor, attorney-general, or postmaster in the State the minister was there, and he now represented 100,000 Church members, 1,000 ministers, three Church colleges with an attendance of 2,000 students and a property valuation of $1,000,000.

Rev. A. O. Ebright, D. D., District Superintendent of Wichita District, extended a welcome on behalf of a district comprising an area of twenty-five square miles, with thirty-five pastoral charges, sixty-five churches, fifty traveling preachers, all of whom welcomed us with open hearts.

Mrs. Fannie Lynch, President of Southwest Kansas Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, extended greetings and welcome on behalf of the women of her Conference. Her words were well chosen

and graciously delivered. She said: "It seems peculiarly fitting that the words 'woman and home' should be associated in the name of our organization, for in this woman's work for women the very center and foundation of all our efforts is the upbuilding, the purifying, and the maintenance of the Christian home. The Woman's Home Misionary Society has caught this vision of the Christian home, and the uplift has carried them to the remote borders of our land, even unto the islands of the sea. Wherever the starry flag may float there you will find the humble worker with a secret joy in her heart because she is called to a mission."

Mrs. R. M. Piatt, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, in a happy manner extended a welcome on behalf of her Committee.

To all these addresses of welcome Mrs. Geo. O. Searle, of Buffalo, N. Y., responded in most gracious manner. Hoping that the result of the eight days' meeting would long outlast that time, and assured our hostesses that while we are enjoying the result of their labor of preparation we are glad to think that those who labor most must enjoy most. She closed her short address by saying: "As you extend to us the hand of welcome, and open to us friendly doors, we salute you with appreciation and honor."

Rev. H. J. Coker, D. D., of the Board of Home Missions, in responding to the toast "Our Strong Ally," referred with enthusiastic appreciation to the help and impetus given his Board by our Society, and exhorted us to pray, give, and toil—never to rest until by God's grace and power America is saved.

Inspirational two minute speeches were then given by representatives of officers and departments.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, representing the Trustees, was introduced as a "worthy daughter of a worthy mother," and spoke in a happy vein of the pleasure of our meeting in Wichita. She drew attention to the temperance plank in our platform, and of our interest in temperance work everywhere. She hoped every woman in the room, who was not already a member of our Society, would become a member this year.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley, of Philadelphia, for twenty-five years a Conference President, represented one hundred and ten Conference Presidents of this Society. Her thoughts were grouped about an illustration from the desert, where one leader, having found water, called to the next leader, "Come, we have found water." So, as others have called to us, would we call to all the people that they may come and drink of the living waters.

Mrs. D. L. Rhone, in behalf of the Conference Corresponding Secretaries, in a most happy manner illustrated her points by clever stories which called forth great applause.

Mrs. J. W. Bush, for the Bureau Secretaries, likened her department to the old-fashioned piece of furniture in which were deposited precious gems and jewels. She said: "The Woman's Home Missionary Society

had not been long in existence until they found they were becoming the possessors of many valuable treasures, which must needs be carefully guarded, and of course the natural woman's way was to establish Bureaus for this purpose. Throughout the Southland these women found many bits of ebony to be polished for the Master's service. Over the various reservations they gathered Indian rubies, crimsoned with the blood of suppression. Through the gray mantle of Mormonism there glistened many a precious jewel. Up and down the Western slope they found many an Oriental topaz, before reaching out for the pearls of the Pacific and the Alaskan nugget.

"This is an age of specialists, and for each of these departments there must needs be a special guardian, so we have the Bureau Secretary. Through the coming days of this Convention, as you listen to the reports and hear the appeals for help from each one of these, I am sure you will be convinced that B. S. stands for Busy Specialist as well as Bureau Secretary.

"To the officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society I would say for my sister Secretaries that we not only realize the responsibility of especially caring for your treasures, but we ever remember that all about us are

"'Gems by cruel hands defaced
Pearls in heathen shadows dim,
Brilliants scattered in the waste,
We must gather up for Him.'"

Mrs. Hallie Hill said the Field Secretaries were fortunate in having their field of labor extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and could be considered the great American condensers.

Mrs. Naysmith spoke for the missionaries, and said our Society was composed of women whose hearts beat for Christ, the Church, and the Nation, for truth and bonds of unity, for love expressed in deeds, for right against wrong, for weak against strong, for faith against tradition, and ended with an exhortation to love, pray and work.

Miss Franc Brown, missionary for the Navajo Mission, then told of her joy in service; and Miss Neiderhauser, Superintendent of the Kansas City Training School, said she represented every line of work in every variety of service, and the deaconesses were a band of happy workers.

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors represented nearly four hundred deaconesses in actual service in our Society.

Miss Carrie Barge pictured the growing garden of the Society. In this garden were growing future Presidents, Corresponding and Bureau Secretaries, and missionary laymen. The field was only partially tilled, and she begged for help in cultivating the entire garden.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. B. Hestwood, D. D., pastor of Trinity Church.

FRIDAY MORNING.

THE meeting was presided over by Mrs. Wilbur P. Thirkield, Second Vice-President.

"Come, thou fount of every blessing" was sung.

The Rev. F. E. Mossman, D. D., read fourteen verses of the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, and after voices united in singing one stanza of "Jesus, lover of my soul," Dr. Mossman prayed for the enlightenment of the Divine Spirit for the work of the day.

The minutes of the first session were read by Mrs. Albright, those of the second session by Mrs. Potter, and of the evening meeting by Mrs. D. D. Thompson, and adopted.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman offered the following, which Mrs. Potter moved be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Chas. F. Thirkield:

WHEREAS, The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church stands for the uplift of the individual and the protection of the home; and

WHEREAS, The saloon is destructive to everything that is good, and the cause of much of the crime, poverty, and misery in our land; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of this Society, now assembled in Wichita, Kansas, and composed of delegates from almost every State in the Union, greatly deplores the action of Secretary James Wilson in consenting to act as Vice-President of the Brewers' Congress, thus giving the sanction of his high office to the liquor traffic; also

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Secretary Wilson and to the President of the United States.

Mrs. M. E. Roberts moved, seconded by Mrs. Isaiah McDowell, that the name of Secretary Knox be included in the resolution.

Mrs. Albright moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to a committee.

After general discussion the substitute was lost, and in considering the amendment this was also lost.

The resolution as offered by Mrs. Hickman was then unanimously adopted.

The Convention adjourned in favor of a meeting of the Committee on Finance.

The Committee arose at 12 Noon, announcements were made, Dr. Coker pronounced the benediction, and adjournment followed until 2 P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened with Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson presiding. The quiet hour of devotion was in charge of Mrs. A. C. Peck, Denver, Colo. She began the service by saying three things were necessary for the "quiet hour,"—a quiet home, a quiet body, and a quiet heart. The subject for thought was prayer, considered under two heads—first, privilege of prayer; second, practice of prayer. To be admitted into the presence of King George, Mrs. Peck said, was considered a great privilege, but the King of King George was our King of kings, and He has prepared the way for us to come into His presence boldly and promised to supply all our needs. In closing, this beautiful thought was left with us, that prayer places our hands in the hand of God.

"In the secret of His presence" was sung by Mrs. H. M. Cain, and Mrs. Delia L. Williams closed the service with prayer.

A question of privilege by Mrs. Chas. F. Thirkield, Cincinnati Conference. That time be given Mrs. Delia L. Williams to read the Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Roach asking the same privilege be granted to Mrs. George O. Robinson.

These requests were referred to Program Committee.

At this time our hostesses were introduced, and given the Chautauqua salute.

Before presenting the Department of Deaconess Work, Miss Bancroft, Superintendent, "How firm a foundation," was sung.

The report of the Eastern Bureau was given by the Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Boswell, indicating progress. In closing, Mrs. Boswell said our Church was realizing that our deaconesses were pioneers leading the way where the Church will follow. (See Report.)

Miss Stachs, in illustrating the Philadelphia Home, said it stood for civic righteousness and the saving of womanhood.

Miss Jean Oram, Acting Secretary for Central Bureau, reported briefly, having assumed the work but recently. Eight homes and seven stations are in this Bureau.

Western Bureau reported by Mrs. John W. Bush, Secretary, as having six homes and many stations where deaconess work is being carried on with no other stimulus than the needy field.

Miss Garrettson spoke for the Kansas City Training School, and said it was a place where girls are given experience under a guiding hand, and as a result the girls are not only getting good, but doing good. Graduates present were invited to the platform and introduced.

At this time Bishop Nuelsen was presented, but declined to take any time as he was on the program for the evening.

Mrs. D. A. Minard, Secretary of the Bureau for Training Schools, outlined the work, and Dr. W. H. Wilder, President of Lucy Webb Hayes

Training School, spoke in the interest of our work there. He said we had made a foundation, but only a foundation, and in closing added: "No city under the flag could have a hospital self-sustaining; but, because of the peculiar housing conditions of Washington, Sibley Hospital, connected with our Training School there, was not only a success, but a financial success. The need there is a larger building suited to the requirements of a well-equipped hospital, and young women to enter for training as nurses, deaconesses, and missionaries.

The Bureau for Supervision of Colored Deaconesses was represented by Mrs. M. B. C. Mason, Secretary. She spoke of the great need of a training school for the colored girl, and said the work would be begun in a small house in Nashville, Tenn., while awaiting a permanent home. She reported $3,900 on hand for this new building.

Deaconess graduates from other schools than Kansas City were called to the platform and presented.

Mrs. Potter, in speaking of the work in Utah, said the work was discouraging in many of its phases, but was surely needed.

Bureau for Hospitals was reported by Mrs. D. B. Street, Secretary. She reported six hospitals with a property valuation of $305,000; 3,222 patients cared for during the year.

Mrs. L. N. Bunyan reported for Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida. Twenty-five beds; 298 patients. Forty-five per cent being charity work.

Graham Hospital, Keokuk, Iowa, represented by Mrs. Lavanda G. Murphy, as having high ideals and low death rates.

Burge Hospital, Springfield, Mo., has a property valuation of $50,000, no indebtedness. Mrs. Burge, who has made this hospital a possibility, was presented, but in her modesty was impressed only by her generous giving.

The hospital at Los Angeles had eighteen beds, 218 patients, had received from the will of Mrs. Barber sufficient to endow a bed for working girls.

Bethel Hospital, Colorado Springs, is becoming a power for good.

Miss Fowler portrayed the preparation being made through the Permanent Deaconess Fund to care for our workers when they no longer can labor, but must sit quietly in the twilight and await the summons of our King.

Rev. Coker, D. D., was introduced, and paid a tribute to the executive ability of our organization.

A telegram of Christian greetings was received from Mrs. W. S. McDowell, President of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Mrs. J. B. Green and Mrs. Roach were requested to frame a reply.

Kindly words of greeting received from Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, and Southern California delegation were asked to convey to Mrs. Reynolds our love for her and regret at her absence.

The meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M., Dr. Coker pronounced the benediction.

FRIDAY EVENING.

THE audience filled the main auditorium and gallery and overflowed into the Sunday-school room. Mrs. Robinson presided. The combined choirs of Trinity and Grace Churches sang the anthem, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain," from Handel's Messiah.

Dr. W. H. Wilder, of Washington, D. C., conducted the devotional exercises by reading 1st Corinthians, 13th chapter, and leading in prayer.

The President, in introducing Bishop Neulsen, gave a brief summary of the origin of deaconess work and its present status in the United States.

After the singing of "Onward, Christian soldiers," Bishop Nuelsen said he himself had been the object of Home Missionary effort, as he had come to America in his youth with little English at his command.

He said in part:

"The deaconess is a personification of the idea which has taken hold of the modern world, especially taken hold of the Church—service. Service is the modern interpretation of life.

"And so we judge to-day of a man's or woman's life according to the service he has rendered to the community. Nothing is worth much unless there is corresponding service. Advantages mean opportunity, and opportunity spells service."

To the women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society he said that American women have greater opportunities of rendering world-wide service than any other nation. Our service is confined to no community or place, but is as wide as the world. Not mountains or rivers or oceans can keep us from coming into touch everywhere with opportunity, and our service is as wide as the world's need.

The speaker, in referring to world-wide need, said he was not speaking of the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. "While the immediate field of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is the United States of America, the results, consequences, and influences of service are felt around the world. It means world service, world influence, and world activities.

"Whatever we do in this country is felt over the world. The world may be called a school, with God the schoolmaster. The kindergarten began long centuries ago in the valley of the Tigris and Euphrates when God taught His children in the beginning of the race's history. The school has developed, and in different localities higher forms of instruction have been carried on. Now He is carrying on His school on both sides of the Atlantic and Pacific, teaching some of the higher things that need to be learned. America is the only country that extends from ocean to ocean. No part is too hot for the white man to live in, or too cold to raise wheat. Because of its close relation to other countries, what you do here influences

all other nations. The colored problem is more of a problem than it was thirty years ago. The large northern cities have large populations of Negroes, and the lines are drawn more closely than they were. This is not a Southern problem only, but a national problem—a world problem. The future of the American Negro will decide the future of Africa. Africa will never be a white man's country, but it will always be a black man's country. It is the place where the battle between Mohammedanism and Christianity, between the Cross and the Crescent, will be fought out. You are training leaders who will be the standard bearers in this fight against superstition. The service rendered to the girls in your industrial schools is rendered to the whole world.

"The problem of immigration is not a problem of seaports only, but it is a national problem—a world problem. God has been sending a constantly increasing stream of these people. He sent first the Scotch, then the Germans and Scandinavians, and when the foundations of our great structure were laid, God opened the doors for the people of the Southern countries and for China and Japan and Korea. We can not close the doors God has opened. Our business is not to close the doors, but to study God's plans, and to try to give to the emigrant the highest form of Christianity. This is a greater work than we think, and by reflex action we influence thousands and tens of thousands of boys and girls in those older countries across the seas.

"Many say American institutions are in danger by foreigners, but it is a question whether the foreigner is not in danger from the false and wrong institutions we have allowed to grow up here. Then our deaconesses are in stations to protect girls, both American and foreign, from greed and passion and lust. There is the work in the slums in visiting, nursing the sick, helping those who most need help, and thus influencing not only our destinies but those of all other nations.

"This is world help, world encircling service. We judge the life of man or woman by service.

"The woman of America have greater opportunities than ang generation has ever had. Barriers of race, of condition, of superstition, which men have created are breaking down. The influences of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are felt all over this world.

At the close of the address the President suggested that the remainder of the evening program be omitted in order to leave undisturbed the impression of the Bishop's words.

The Convention assented, and after a solo, "Hear, O Israel," by Miss Agnes Leist Bebe, Dr. J. W. Martindale pronounced the benediction.

SATURDAY MORNING.

THE session opened with the President, Mrs. Robinson, in the chair, and Dr. Wilder in charge of the devotional service.

After the singing of the hymns "Sweet hour of prayer" and "I need Thee every hour," helpful suggestions drawn from the hymns and passages of Scripture were made, and prayer offered by Dr. Wilder.

The service closed with the singing of "Blest be the tie that binds."

The minutes of Friday morning session were presented by Mrs. Aiken; those of Friday afternoon by Mrs. Nason, and of the evening meeting by Mrs. Rhone, and adopted.

In view of the fact that at the time of the destruction of our Navajo Mission by the flood in the San Juan River, Mr. Simmons, our missionary, had been instrumental in saving life, Mrs. Potter offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to make application to the proper authorities for a Carnegie medal in honor of the heroism shown in the saving of human life by Mr. J. N. Simmons, Superintendent of our Navajo Mission. Also, for the family of Mr. Tice, who lost his life at the post of duty to save others.

The Corresponding and Recording Secretaries and Mrs. Potter were made a committee to carry out the purpose of the resolution.

Mrs. Robinson warmly commended all who had had a part in making the reception, the recital, and the banquet so great a success.

She expressed the appreciation of the Society for the presence of Governor Stubbs, Attorney-General Trickett, Mayor Graham, and the pastors of the city and district.

Owing to the fact that the list of appropriations for the coming year had not yet arrived, the meeting of the Finance Committee, as scheduled on the program, was deferred, and other business of the Convention taken up.

In this connection warning was given to those who were preparing to make appeal for new work or enlargement of work, that the total of their appeals should not exceed the margin of $5,000 above the appropriation as recommended by the Board of Trustees.

Miss Alice M. Guernsey, Editor and Business Manager, presented the report of General Publications.

The year had been one of never ceasing activity, and substantial gains had been made in all directions.

She announced that the text-book for 1913 would be on Mormonism, as the call for a work on this subject had been persistent.

Miss Guernsey stated that the very carefully prepared exhibit of our publications for this meeting had been detained in a freight wreck, but that she hoped to receive them soon.

The report was adopted with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report.)

Miss Van Marter, Editor of *Woman's Home Missions,* said that in this, the twenty-eighth year of its existence, the paper was speaking to a larger audience than ever before, and that it had not departed from the educational policy inaugurated in the beginning.

The report was adopted with a rising vote of thanks. (See report.)

Miss Guernsey asked for an expression of opinion as to the nature of the "Mystery Box," which resulted in a very general request for its continuance.

Miss Mary Belle Evans, in submitting her report as Publisher of *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions,* stated that there had been an advance of 1,162 subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions,* and 3,583 to *Children's Home Missions.*

The report was accepted with thanks. (See Report.)

Additional subscriptions being called for, the following pledges were made by the Conferences, the total amounting to 4,550. (See Pledges.)

Testimony was given to the value of the paper in advancing the work of the Society and the need that the paper should be placed in the hands of all our pastors, and to this end a "Home Mission Advance Fund" was created, to which Mrs. Robinson subscribed ten dollars. The Kansas Conference $2.50, and Mrs. Spriggs Ratcliffe $1.00, making a total of $13.50.

The following resolution was offered by Mrs. Albright, and, on motion, adopted.

Resolved, That wherever it is practicable, that each Auxiliary shall furnish the pastor of the Church with a copy if not already a subscriber, and where this is not possible that the Conference Secretary shall supply the paper through the Home Mission Advance Fund.

The chair appointed as a committee to work out plan of distribution ladies Evans, Woodruff, Waters, Buck, and Mason.

A beautiful solo, "The Lost Lamb," was sung by Mrs. J. H. Turner.

Mrs. Lena Hartzell Wallace, National Organizer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was presented and spoke briefly of the success of prohibition in Kansas; her pride in being a resident of such a State; and closed with the rally cry of the State temperance organization for the convention at Milwaukee.

By request Mrs. Williams sent to this Convention through Mrs. Wallace a message of love, sympathy, and co-operation.

In addressing the Convention on the topic "What the Society is Doing for the White Children in the South," Mrs. H. D. Ketcham, Secretary of the Bureau for Mississippi, gave most interesting facts as to the life and conditions of the American Highlanders, and of the successful work of the Society among them.

Mrs. O. P. McCarty, Secretary of the Bureau for White Work in

North Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia, said that the last year had been a year of unqualified success.

The work at Cedartown, among girls employed in cotton mills, an outgrowth of the work at Boaz, was progressing favorably, and had the sympathy and co-operation of the mill owners. Report accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Street announced that the leaflets on plan of election were ready for distribution, and reminded the ladies that the registration must be completed during Saturday.

Mrs. Haywood, Secretary of Tellers, named the following as tellers for the election: Ladies Steiner, Green, Searles, Ritz, Hudson, Drew, Gillette, Kellogg, Rosie, Allgire, Boddington, and Eddy.

Mrs. M. V. Burns, Committee on Pulpit Supply, announced the appointments for the Sunday services, and stated that slips of direction were ready for the use of all appointed.

The business-like character of the arrangements brought a hearty vote of thanks.

Dr. C. C. James, of St. Louis, was introduced, and expressed his pleasure in being present and spoke of his interest in the work of our hospital at Springfield, Mo.

Mrs. Ellen Burge, the donor of the hospital bearing her name at Springfield, was presented, and the story of the gift of the property as told by Wrs. Williams. Mrs. Burge was greeted with the Chautauqua salute.

The Rev. Dr. Crouch, of the Yuma Mission, was introduced.

Announcements were made, committees called, and adjournment followed until 2 P. M., with the benediction by the pastor of the Church.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Saturday afternoon session opened by singing "He leadeth me," the President, Mrs. Robinson, occupying the chair.

Mrs. A. C. Peck, of Denver, was in charge of the devotional "quiet hour." The first, second, and fourth stanzas of "Take the name of Jesus with you," were sung. After silent prayer, Miss Van Marter voiced a petition in harmony with the spirit of the hour.

Mrs. Peck spoke of the practice of prayer. All people who seek audiences with an earthly king must conform to certain prescribed regulations. So in coming to the greatest of all kings we must remember the regulations. "No man cometh unto the Father but by Me." "If ye will ask anything in My name it shall be given." All gifts are to be had for the asking, but it is required that we ask. In times of trouble and stress our human inclination is to try everything else before asking God to help us; we should pray before anything else. The leader laid special emphasis on the command to pray without ceasing. Not that we need

be always in the act of prayer, but always in the attitude of prayer. He who prays to-day and fails to pray to-morrow will be harrassed and burdened. We must account to God for neglect of this power, for doors that might have been opened, for money that might have been raised, for hearts that might have been touched by the Spirit had we prayed.

Mrs. Roach closed the blessed hour with prayer.

The President read a letter from Howard R. Antis, of Anth, Utah, to Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Secretary Emeritus of our Indian and Mexican Bureau. The letter was expressive of sympathy for our loss of the Navajo Mission, with offers of assistance. The letter was listened to with much interest and referred to Miss Bassett, Secretary of the Bureau.

Mrs. Aiken displayed a key that had been given her by the Superintendent of our Navajo Mission which had beld securely all of the valuable papers of the mission, and was now the only relic of the disastrous flood. Mrs. Aiken asked that a committee be appointed to devise some plan by which this key might be made profitable for the mission.

The President appointed Mrs. Aiken, Miss Bassett, and Mrs. Potter the committee.

The President said that musicians tell us that the only American music is the melodies of the South; and the delegates from our colored Conferences of the South were invited to sing. The Convention listened with delight to "Steal away to Jesus," and the plaintive melody of "They crucified my Savior."

The Convention adjourned until Monday, 9 A. M., after the benediction by Dr. Wilder, to enjoy an automobile ride generously provided by our hostesses.

SUNDAY MORNING.

AT 9.30, in Trinity Church, a class meeting proved a blessing to all hearts in its precious testimonies and uplifting influences.

PLATFORM MEETING.

At 10.30 the President, Mrs. Robinson, took charge of the service with a large audience present.

"All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung. The Scripture lesson was read by Miss Crawford.

Mrs. A. H. Webb, President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Vermont Conference, offered prayer, following which the hymn "Stand up, stand up for Jesus" was sung.

Ten-minute speeches of telling force were heard with rapt attention.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Chicago, Ill., admirably presented the general scope of the Society.

Mrs. H. M. Nasmyth, Superintendent of Adeline M. Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark., spoke earnest words in behalf of the work among the colored people of the South.

Miss Bessie Franc Brown's appeal for the 28,000 Navajos, among whom she labored, touched all hearts.

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors, Superintendent of Detroit Deaconess Home, answered the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Mrs. C. B. Perkins, San Francisco, Cal., represented the progress and claims of the Oriental Work on the Pacific Coast.

Mrs. Turner sang a beautiful solo, "The earth is the Lord's."

Miss Nellie Snider, Field Secretary, gave stirring utterance to some of her experiences in the Northwest.

Miss Carrie E. Swartz, a deaconess whose work had given her large observation, spoke of America as the greatest mission field in the world, for here have come all nationalities.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley, Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrant Work, demonstrated that the Woman's Home Missionary Society is helping to bring American ideals to the immigrant.

Mrs. A. C. Clark, for twenty years Superintendent of the Boston Immigrant Home, from the richness of her own experience told of great good accomplished.

Miss Hickman, Superintendent of the Wichita Deaconess Home, made a plea for a home for working girls in Wichita.

Mrs. Robinson, the President, in responding to a request gave a few minutes' talk of intense interest about the great Ecumenical Conference of Methodism recently held in Toronto.

"Faith of our fathers" was sung as a closing hymn, and the benediction was pronounced by the pastor, Rev. A. B. Hestwood, D. D.

CHILDREN'S RALLY.

MISS ALICE M. GUERNSEY had charge of the meeting for Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels in First Church at 2.30 o'clock.

Miss Guernsey explained to the children the meaning of the name Wichita—an Indian word meaning scattered lodges. She then spoke of the Indians scattered over many parts of our country, and introduced Miss Brown, of our Navajo Mission in New Mexico, who told much of interest concerning the lives of this people.

John Charles, a Navajo boy twelve year old, dressed in native costume, sang songs to the delight of his audience.

Miss Blood, of Harwood Industrial Home, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Mrs. H. L. Hill, Miss Barge, Field Secretaries; Miss Trescott, of Anthracite Mission at Hazelton, Pa.; Mrs. Melton Marsh Chandler, long a missionary in Honolulu, gave glimpses of our work in many fields.

A fine demonstration exercise given by a large number of girls and boys was worthy of presentation in every church of Methodism.

Victoria, a Spanish girl from the Tucson Home, Arizona, sang beautifully "Let Him have His own way with thee."

VESPER SERVICE.

A QUIET Vesper Service was held at 4.30, in Trinity Church, presided over by Mrs. David Daley, Jr., Secretary of Department of Young People's Work.

Miss Stacks spoke on vision, power, and service, giving a glimpse of the possibility for good to others which each one possessed, power from God to carry out this, and the joy of thus working with the Master.

An altar service followed, and the many who participated left the meeting hushed, strengthend for service, and determined to be satisfied with only the things that are worth while.

THE ANNIVERSARY.

THE President, Mrs. George O. Robinson, presided, at 7.30 o'clock, over the Anniversary Meeting.

After the anthem, the responsive Scripture lesson was led by Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Recording Secretary, and the pastor, Rev. A. B. Hestwood, D. D., offered prayer.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Williams, was presented. (See Report.)

Mrs. George H. Thompson gave a brief summary of the report of the Treasurer.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff delivered the Anniversary Address most inspiring in its scope of vision. (See Address.)

The doxology and benediction closed a meeting of influence for good to the Society.

MONDAY MORNING.

THE session opened at 9 o'clock with the President in the chair. Rev. W. V. Burus, D. D., having charge of the devotional exercises, announced hymns 135 and 490, both of which were sung with feeling. After reading the second chapter of Peter, he led in an earnest prayer, and these helpful exercises were closed with the singing of hymn 633.

The minutes of Saturday morning session, read by Mrs. Albright, and those of Saturday afternoon, by Mrs. Potter, were adopted.

The committee appointed to frame a reply to the greetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reported through the Chairman, Mrs. J. B. Green.

Mrs. Aiken presented a recommendation from the Board of Trustees to the effect that the Committee on Missionary Candidates be made a standing committee, and this was ordered.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park said that in answer to the greetings sent to

our President Emeritus, Mrs. Fisk, she had received a letter from her mother, sending her wishes for the best Convention ever held, and while there was regret in her heart that she could not be with us, there was gladness that she could still help in her beloved work. A letter of like sentiment was received from Mrs. Goodman.

Mrs. Hickman, Chairman of the Committee on Day of Prayer, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, For the first time in the history of our Society we have held our Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers in a saloonless city; therefore,

Resolved, That we congratulate Governor Stubbs, whom we so much admire and whose presence at our banquet was so highly appreciated, and the people of the State of Kansas, and the people of Wichita on the absence of the saloon with its baneful influence from their midst, and hope it may be gone forever, and that the example of prohibition may be followed by every city and State in the Union.

The President announced that the time for election had come, and some general instructions were given.

The following resolution, offered by Mrs. Woodward, was adopted:

Resolved, That if upon the nominating ballot a member receive a majority of all ballots for any office she be declared elected to that office.

Mrs. D. B. Street, Chairman of the Committe on Enrollment, presented the following report, which was accepted:

The representation included four General Officers, four Vice-Presidents, ten Managers, three Associate Managers, eighteen Bureau Secretaries, one Associate Bureau Secretary, six Chairman of Standing Committees, one Young People's Secretary, one College Secretary for Young People's Work, one Editor, one Publisher, one Business Manager, two Editors of *Daily,* one Treasurer's Accountant, twelve Field Secretaries, sixty-four Conferences, forty-six Conference Corresponding Secretaries, fifty-four Conference delegates, twenty-nine Young People's delegates, eight deaconess delegates, eighty-three visitors.

ENROLLMENT.

President.—Mrs. George O. Robinson.
Corresponding Secretary.—Mrs. Delia L. Williams.
Recording Secretary.—Mrs. F. A. Aiken.
Treasurer.—Mrs. George H. Thompson.
Vice-Presidents.—Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, Mrs. M. L. Woodruff, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Mrs. P. H. Bodkin.

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The President then announced that she would hand the gavel to Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, the Second Vice-President, who would preside during the election for President. All persons entitled to vote were seated in a body, leaving a space of three rows in rear.

The Tellers were then presented as follows: Mrs. Grace G. Steiner, Baltimore Conference; Mrs. C. A. Green, New York Conference; Mrs. George S. Searle, Genesee Conference; Mrs. Carl Ritz, Ohio Conference; Mrs. J. A. Hudson, Philadelphia Conference; Mrs. W. P. Drew, Central Illinois Conference; Mrs. V. B. Gillette, Cincinnati Conference; Mrs. Emma Kellogg, Des Moines Conference; Mrs. B. Rosie, East Ohio Conference; Mrs. J. B. Allgire, Indiana Conference; Mrs. Fannie C. Boddington, New York Conference; Mrs. S. B. Eddy, Northern Minnesota Conference.

Mrs. Thirkield then assumed the chair, and Miss Van Marter led in a most earnest prayer for guidance in this important matter.

All those entitled to vote were requested to stand and be counted, which count resulted in the number of 196.

The Tellers distributed the ballots, and the vote for President was taken, after which the Tellers retired.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley moved that we vote by acclamation for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk for President Emeritus, which was carried unanimously by a rising vote.

While awaiting result of ballot, Mrs. Cotton Mather reported for the Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle. She told of incidents where organization, not only of Auxiliaries but of Conferences, had resulted from the reading of leaflets, and implored the women to read. She said: "Get the vision; have a reason for the vision; and then

pass on God's thought, and thereby spread spirituality." She advised placing the text-books in Sunday schools and public libraries. Detroit, with 1,159 readers, was declared the Banner Conference.

On motion of Mrs. Roach the report was acepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Roach offered the following resolution:

"In view of the fact that the Woman's Home Missionary Society was the first organization in Methodism to form Reading Circles in its Auxiliaries for the dissemination of intelligence in reference to its mission fields, and that now the prevailing plan of the Church is to organize study classes; therefore, in order to be in harmony with the general movement,

"*Resolved,* That for the Department of Reading Circles be substituted Home Mission Study Classes."

After much discussion, and an amendment, offered by Miss Guernsey, to the effect that the name be "Bureau for Home Mission Study Class and Reading Circle," was adopted in substance and referred to Committee on By-laws.

The result of ballot for President was then announced by Chairman of Tellers, Mrs. W. C. Hayword: Number of votes cast, 196; for Mrs. George O. Robinson, 172; for Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, 13; for Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, 8; for Mrs. Wm. C. Herron, 1; for Mrs. Eddy, 1; questionable, 1; total, 196.

Mrs. Thirkield declared Mrs. Robinson elected President. Mrs. Robinson, in a few words, thanked the women, saying it was a very weighty responsibility, and she was praying to be kept humble and useful, and believed that God would lead her and the women in the great religious, social, and patriotic work of this Society. She said she had adopted this verse as her motto for the coming year, "For God giveth not the spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and of a sound mind," and ended with the exhortation, "Let us love God, let us love one another."

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors moved that a telegram be sent to Mr. George O. Robinson announcing the election of his wife to the Presidency for another year. Carried.

The ballot was then taken for First Vice-President.

Mrs. Mather called for the representative of the Southwest Kansas Conference to bring the Reading Circle Banner. Mrs. Nettie Tedrick, Conference Secretary of the Southwest Kansas Conference, said that last year their women were so inspired by the meeting at Buffalo that they invited the Board to hold the Annual Meting this year in Wichita, and they had been so busy in preparing for their entertainment that they had, perhaps, neglected their reading somewhat, and so they would relinquish the banner this year. However, the Detroit women were admonished to look out, for they might lose the banner next year.

Mrs. Walter Fruit, delegate from the Detroit Conference and Secretary of Young People's Work, in accepting the banner, said she was so thankful for the honor, and credited the result to the inspiration of our national President, who was a member of that Conference.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of the Bureau for East Central States, spoke of the work at Browning Home, and told of the generous gift of an unknown friend, who had already begun the erection of a new school building at Camden, S. C., to cost $20,000. This gift was made on condition that our Society remodel the old school building for a dormitory.

On motion of Mrs. Woodruff, a vote of thanks was requested sent by Mrs. Albright to this unknown friend.

On motion of Mrs. E. L. Albright, it was ordered that in announcing the result of future ballots, that when any person received less than six votes for any office, that the name of such person be not read.

The result of the ballot for First Vice President was then announced as follows: Number of votes cast, 195; necessary to a choice, 98; Mrs. W. C. Herron received 147; Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, 24; Mrs. May L. Woodruff, 19; scattering, 5.

The President declared the election of Mrs. Wm. C. Herron as First Vice-President.

Mrs. I. D. Jones moved that a telegram be sent Mrs. Herron, who had been detained by the serious illness of her sister. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Burnett, a vote of thanks was given to the Auto Club of Wichita for their courtesy of Saturday afternoon.

Announcements were made, and after the benediction by Rev. Dr. Hestwood, adjournment followed until 2 o'clock.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened with Mrs. George O. Robinson presiding. The quiet hour, led by Mrs. A. C. Peck, began with the singing of "Jesus, the name." Prayer was offered by Mrs. Isabella Lutch. The topic for consideration was "Power through prayer." The thought Mrs. Peck left with us was that we were to become transformers of God's power to the children of this world. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Firned, of New Jersey.

A beautiful solo, "There is wonderful power in prayer," was sung by Mrs. H. M. Cain, which was a fitting close of this restful service.

The report of ballot for Second Vice-President was read. Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, receiving 148 votes out of 198 cast, was declared elected.

After those entitled to vote had numbered, the vote was taken for Third Vice-President. While the votes were being counted Miss Bessie Franc Brown presented the work of the Navajos. She expressed a wish that the work among the Navajos be not interrupted in too great a degree.

It had taken years to gain their confidence, and our hope was to retain it. One of the greatest evils in this tribe, as in all other Indian tribes, is the power of the medicine man. The need is a Christian hospital, for if we do not provide this, when ill they will go to the medicine man. In the last three months probably more have come for medical treatment than during the entire history of the mission. Miss Brown expressed her belief that God, who had permitted the destruction of the mission, would raise up funds to reestablish the work on a much larger scale. She spoke of the evil of the whisky traffic, and of great influence of the Romish Church.

The ballot for Third Vice-President was reported ready. Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff receiving 166 votes out of 175 cast, was declared elected.

Ballots were taken for Fourth Vice-President.

At this time Mrs. Potter moved that while Tellers were counting votes for Fourth Vice-President, we proceed to ballot for Corresponding Secretary. Carried.

Second set of Tellers was instructed to collect ballots.

Mrs. Robinson presented Mrs. Imboden, President of the Topeka Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, who spoke a few kindly words of greeting, saying that as we labored in this country and they in the foreign countries and the islands of the seas, we were clasping hands around the globe.

Upon request, all members of the Convention who are members of our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society were asked to rise, and the Secretary of the afternoon saw no one sitting. All joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds."

The report of ballot for Fourth Vice-President resulted in the election of Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, who received 160 votes of a total of 181 cast.

Tellers were instructed to collect ballots for Fifth Vice-President.

Mrs. Lachey, of the McCrum Training School for Slavonic Young Women, at Uniontown, Pa., spoke in the interest of this school, and outlined the work of vast importance located in the vast McConnellsville region—a region filled with godless men and women. The need is trained workers who speak the language to go out among these people.

Miss Elizabeth Davis, Superintendent, went to Bohemia this summer to study the people and upon her return brought three young women to enter the training school.

Mrs. Robinson spoke of the ability of Mrs. S. W. Davis and her consecrated daughter, who is a graduate of our Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.

The report of the ballot for Fifth Vice-President was read. Mrs. P. H. Bodkin receiving 155 votes out of 180 cast, was declared elected.

The Tellers were instructed to collect ballots for Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

The report of ballot for Corresponding Secretary was read. Mrs. Delia L. Williams received 167 votes out of 178 cast, and was declared elected.

At this time Mrs. Potter stepped to the platform, and in a few bright sentences presented Mrs. Williams a beautiful Navajo blanket as a birthday present, telling her to wrap it about herself and lie down "to pleasant dreams but not to steal away."

Tellers reported ballot ready for Recording Secretary. Mrs. F. A. Aiken receiving 172 votes out of 179, was declared elected. Upon being presented she said, in thanking the ladies, "There are times in one's life when work is a blessing to hands, head, and heart."

A vocal duet, "They shall hunger no more," was pleasingly rendered by Mrs. Charles Halten of Mrs. H. W. Stanley.

The Tellers were instructed to take the vote for Managers.

The ballot for Treasurer was reported ready and resulted in Mrs. George H. Thompson receiving 172 votes out of 180 cast, and was declared elected.

Mrs. Robinson introduced Mrs. Fletcher Homan, of Oregon Conference, wife of President Homan, of Williamette University. She said she came to this convention with much fear, because of her newness to the work; but in coming she had a definite purpose. She spoke of Oregon Conference as a Mission Conference, and Portland within its bounds, a city of 250,000, with all conditions pertaining to city life, and pleaded for an industrial home in Portland. She came indorsed by Resident Bishop, District Superintendents, and all Oregon Conference. They have on hand a bequest of $1,000 from the Campbell estate and $1,000 given to them at Los Angeles, and asked permission to start this home when all debt is burned.

Miss Flora Mitchell, of Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga., one of our first missionaries, made a plea for a new building, so long desired and needed. Thayer Home is on the campus with Clark University and Gammon Theological Seminary. Miss Mitchell said she had small plans for the building with her, the large one having been worn out by its many trips to conventions. She stated that every girl paid four times over for all it cost to educate her, and said they were turning away girls every day for lack of room. In closing, she paid a tribute to the work of Martha Drummer, one of the Thayer girls, who is a missionary in Africa.

Miss Barge asked the privilege of adding a word to what had been said, and paid great tribute to the work done by Miss Mitchell. Miss Barge pleaded for more and better training of colored women.

Miss Trescott, of the Anthracite Slavonic Mission pleaded for the Woman's Home Missionary Society to adopt and mother this mission.

Upon motion, a committee consisting of Mrs. Ketcham, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. A. C. Peck, Mrs. Griffiths, and Mrs. Woodward was appointed to consider the placing of $5,000 appropriated by the Board of Managers for new work.

Mrs. Buck, of the New England Southern Conference, spoke in the

interest of the Immigrant Home in East Boston. She said: "The wharves in New York City are too short to accommodate the new ocean steamships, and the Federal Government refuses to consent to their being lengthened on account of the new traffic." Massachusetts has appropriated seven million dollars for wharves and deeper waterways. Already some of the Cunard steamers enter the Boston port. She spoke of the increase in immigration and of the organized effort in the white slave traffic at our ports of entry.

Announcements were made, and after benediction, pronounced by Dr. Martindale, adjournment followed until 7:45 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING.

MRS. ROBINSON presiding. The service was conducted in the presence of one of the finest audiences of the convention. The music was in charge of the vested choir of the First and Harsey Street Churches. After the singing of three stanzas of "I love to tell the story," Rev. J. A. Crouch, missionary to the Yuma Indians, led in prayer.

Mrs. C. B. Perkins, Secretary of the Bureau for Japanese and Koreans, described the work on the Pacific Coast. In the great international Sunday school processions in San Francisco last summer hundreds of Japanese men marched through the streets, carrying open Bibles. It was a revelation to the people of the city. (See Report.)

The choir sang the *Te Deum,* after which Mrs. J. E. Piatt, Secretary of Bureau for Chinese, said: "We come with victory on our banners. The Oriental Home is a reality; it stands four square to all the winds. Destroyed by fire and earthquake April 18, 1906, it is to be dedicated this fall, it is hoped, with every dollar pledged for its rebuilding. (See Report.)

In the absence of Mrs. J. H. Parsons, Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, Miss Carrie Barge read her interesting report. (See Report.)

Mrs. R. H. Young, Assistant Secretary of Alaskan Bureau, reported the United States Government as having recently built a schoolhouse in Nome, and asked our missionary to furnish a teacher. Dr. Nellie M. Cramer, a graduate of the Kansas City Training School, was here introduced to the convention. She has just offered her services as medical missionary to Nome.

Mrs. Young said: "The aim of our work is to aid natives by introducing new undertakings, so that they may be self-supporting and not paupers. The principal industry is reindeer raising. Twenty years ago there were no reindeers; to-day there are 28,000, and no white man can buy these of the natives."

"Fling out the banner—let it float!" was sung by choir and congregation.

DEBT-CONSUMING SERVICE.

The second part of the program was a very interesting debt-consuming service. A bonfire of bonds, in charge of Mrs. W. F. Robertson of Cincinnati, and Mrs. O. P. McCarty of Baltimore. One hundred dollar bonds to the value of twelve thousand dollars were burned, decreasing the debt by that much.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff read as a Scripture lesson Josh. 1: 1-9. After which the prayer of invocation was offered by Mrs. W. P. Thirkield.

On the table was a small model of the walls of Jericho, very beautifully made by Mr. A. E. Angenbrandt of Cincinnati. Mrs. W. F. Robertson, in introducing the service, said that the Woman's Home Missionary Society faces a situation similar to that which confronted Joshua. Our spies have returned and announced the riches to be found in the promised land; but before we go in to possess this land we find a difficulty to be overcome. But what is such a difficulty in so great an undertaking? Napoleon said, "There shall be no Alps." As Christian workers we have a power not vouchsafed to Napoleon. As these unarmed children of Israel brought down the walls of Jericho, so shall we reduce the walls of our difficulty.

Here was heard the herald call, and the messengers of light and loyalty came marching in, part bearing lighted candles, the rest carrying flags. As they came to the platform inspiring sentiments were uttered; they then delivered their bonds to the treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, who made announcement of the amounts and dropped them into a receptacle behind the walls of Jericho. After the bonds were received, the messengers of light marched seven times about the walls of Jericho until they fell. Then the President set fire to the bonds.

Mrs. Robinson said: "As the walls of Jericho fell, so the walls of our debt is falling—over $12,000 going up in smoke." She set fire to the bonds, which blazed up in a great flame, while the procession marched back to their places, and the vast congregation united in singing "Glory, glory, hallelujah."

Mrs. Woodruff said: "This does not represent what has been pledged for next year." Then she called on the Conference Secretaries and pledges were made aggregating $10,000. (See Pledges.)

This beautiful bond-burning service and impressive demonstration closed with the benediction.

TUESDAY MORNING.

WITH the President, Mrs. Robinson, in the chair, the devotional services were conducted by Mrs. Fannie Lynch, President of the Southwest Kansas Conference Society. "Blessed assurance" was sung.

Mrs. L. G. Murphy and Mrs. Perkins offered prayer.

Two stanzas of "Jesus shall reign" were sung. Mrs. Lynch chose for her Scripture reading the Shepherd's Psalm, giving responsively John R. Mott's beautiful paraphrase of this 23d Psalm. Precious testimonies followed from a number of persons.

Mrs. John H. Turner sang "Hark, the voice of Jesus calling"—a most inspiring selection for the workers before entering upon the duties of the day.

The minutes of Monday morning session were read by Mrs. D. D. Thompson, those of Monday afternoon by Mrs. Nason, and of evening session by Mrs. Rohne, and adopted.

Mrs. W. C. Hayward, Chairman of Tellers, presented the following names as elected Managers. (See page 3.)

Pleas were made for opening new work. Mrs. Curl, President of the Arkansas Conference, spoke of the need of work at Siloam Springs, Ark., in the region of the Ozark Mountains; of the little home of seven rooms furnished; of the seven girls that have been received in the home, and of the sixteen girls turned away for lack of scholarships. Miss Gibson, teacher in this home, spoke most earnestly of the needs and opportunity.

The vote for Associate Managers was ordered.

Mrs. A. H. Webb, of the Vermont Conference, in pleading for the Italians, said that "in the town of Barre one out of every four is an Italian, and there are thousands scattered throughout the State interested in the business and political life of the State. During the past years Vermont has given of the very best of her life-blood for the enrichment of this great Middle West and other portions of our land, and the places of these strong, intelligent Christian men and women are being taken by alien people of inferior races, and in our weakness and our need we now turn to you for help."

The great need for missionary work at Angel Island, San Francisco, among the immigrants who come to us through the Golden Gate, was presented by Mrs. Perkins with a fervor that showed her intense desire to labor for the salvation of their souls. An appeal had been made to the Commissioner General, who was well acquainted with Miss Mathews' work among the immigrants of the Atlantic port of entry, and gladly gave permission for a missionary to enter this open door, and Mrs. Perkins appealed for funds for salary of missionary for this work.

Mrs. R. H. Young, in pleading for extension of work for Nome,

said we can not save America and leave out Alaska. The United States Government is to build a school and wants a Protestant mission in Nome. Mrs. Young had secured the promise of a salary for a worker and desired to extend the Sinuk Mission to Nome. On motion, Mrs. Young was granted permission to go forward.

Mrs. John Taylor's plea was for work among foreigners in Wisconsin Conference.

A population of 10,000 Slavonic people in East St. Louis inspired a plea by Mrs. Moss for recognition of work among them, naming $500.

Mrs. Jacob Bernheim, herself a representative of one of the oldest races of the world and a convert to Christianity, carrying on the Jewish work in Marcy Home, earnestly plead for liberality in the prosecution of work among the Jews.

Mrs. I. D. Jones spoke in behalf of a friend in Cincinnati who had promised $100 annually for beginning work among the Russians.

Mrs. Daniel Onstott told of Harlan, Ky., in the heart of the Cumberland Mountains and at the mouth of the Cumberland River, offering the Woman's Home Missionary Society twenty-four city lots, valued at $5,000, on a high point overlooking the town, for an industrial school for the mountain people, if the Society will allow a conditional appropriation of $10,000 for the building and an unconditional appropriation for salary for at least three teachers. They offer a brick plant, valued at $3,000, for us to make brick for the building if a manager is put in charge. She also told of Olive Hill, in the northeastern part of the State near West Virginia, in a brick-making district, where in a population of 3,000 people with 500 children, schools are closed in December. The people offer the Society seven different sites, ranging from two acres to one hundred acres, valued at from $1,000 to $10,000; brick enough to put up a $15,000 building; an electric light plant, and $4,000 cash to erect the building, if the Woman's Home Missionary Society will allow a conditional appropriation of $15,000 and an unconditional appropriation for teachers to begin the school work. Mrs. Onstott said: "As Kentucky gave to the Nation Abraham Lincoln, who broke the fetters that bound the negro race, so the Woman's Home Missionary Society by allowing this work will be the means of loosing the bonds of ignorance of these mountain people and preparing them to receive and help the thousands that will come to Kentucky to work in the richest coal mines in the United States."

Miss Donna Cooley, Travelers' Aid Deaconess, of Lexington, Ky., told touching incidents showing the need of this work in Kentucky that appealed strongly to all hearts.

The convention then adjourned in favor of meeting of Committee on Finance.

When the committee arose about 12 o'clock, the vote for Associate Managers was announced as found on page 3. Announcements were made, committees were called, and the convention adjourned until 2 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened with Mrs. W. P. Thirkield in charge. The subject chosen for the devotional service was "Consecration and Conservation." The lesson was drawn from Ezekiel's vision of the rivers of life and the rivers of power as given in the 47th chapter. Mrs. I. D. Jones led in earnest prayer that we might have a fresh vision of the Father through Christ Jesus.

A beautiful solo, "O, Loving Father," was sung by Miss Melville Campbell. The service closed with prayer by Mrs. Mather.

In taking the chair Mrs. Robinson expressed herself as better able for the further service of the day because of this quiet hour.

Mrs. Aiken presented the following amendments to the Constitution as recommended by the Board of Managers at the last annual meeting:

First—That Article III, section 3, of the Constitution, be amended "to hold meetings in January, April, September, and in connection with the annual meeting of the Board of Managers."

Second—That Article III, section 3, be amended by adding the words "executive session" after the word "special."

The amendments were adopted.

A resolution presented by Conference Secretaries to amend Article IV, Section 2, of Conference Organization was, after discussion, laid upon the table.

The hour for the introduction of fraternal delegates having arrived, the following ladies were presented:

Mrs. Higginson, of the Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Cassidy, of the Baptist Church; Mrs. Haymoker, of the Christian Church; Mrs. Buck, of the Episcopal Church; Mrs. Stanley, of the Friends' Church; Miss Errickson, General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., and Mrs. Browne, of the United Brethren Church. The greeting of these ladies was followed by the singing of "Blest be the tie that binds."

Miss Bertha Fowler explained the denominational relations to the Council of Women for Home Missions, saying: "The Council of Women for Home Missions is a federated body composed of nine representatives, each of different denominations, these representatives being chosen by the Board of Home Missions of each denomination. This gives the denomination a very integral relationship to the Council of Women for Home Missions and makes the council a central body or clearing-house for all interdenominational interests in home missions."

Miss Carrie Barge, in representing the summer schools of missions, said that there was a time when our ancestors came to this Western country in the prairie schooner; we had come in a Pullman car; next time we may come in airships; and that while there were some Societies

who still use the prairie schooner, that those who attend these meetings no longer use antiquated methods. Eighteen different denominations had been represented at the Boulder summer school. At the new school at Omaha, Neb., an outgrowth of the Jubilee meetings, 225 were enrolled.

Mrs. D. D. Thompson reported a registration at Winona of 344, and spoke of the valuable services rendered by our representatives.

A greater number of younger women were among the attendants this year than ever before. Mrs. Woodruff gave an inspirational address and conducted two young people's conferences. She also spoke at chapel services at Winona College, and of her work at Porto Rico at the Methodist rally.

Twilight hour with the missionaries gave opportunity for talks from Mrs. Elder, Mrs. Moors, Miss Ethel Jones, Miss Carrie Davis. Others who were present and gave help in meetings from time to time were Mrs. J. C. Murray, Mrs. A. B. Cline, Mrs. D. M. Wood, Mrs. T. J. Hudgins, Mrs. D. B. Brummitt, Mrs. D. J. Durrell, and Mrs. Susie Aiken Winold.

Mrs. H. L. Hill reported that at Chautauqua, where the summer school had previously been largely a school for foreign missions, there had been a registration of 663 persons in the Home Mission Society classes, with fifteen denominations represented.

Miss Alice Guernsey, in reporting the Northfield Summer School in that place beautiful in situation, said they had found there a mount of transfiguration from which they had come better fitted for service.

The stanza, "When we asunder part," was sung.

MEMORIAL HOUR.

The memorial service, in charge of Mrs. Fannie Lynch, opened with the singing of "One sweetly solemn thought," and Miss Margaret Bell led in prayer.

Mrs. C. W. Bickley paid a loving tribute to her long-time associate, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Palen, who as Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Conference and Bureau Secretary for Georgia had given long years of devoted service to our Society.

Mrs. Woodruff, Secretary of Bureau for Porto Rico, in speaking of the heavy loss to that Bureau in the going home of three of its workers, made loving mention of Miss Hannah M. Hageman, Miss Lilla Fair, and Miss Anna Marie Rodriguez. Sixty dollars was placed in the treasury to make these devoted women memorial members of the Society.

Mrs. Jessie Smith Todd spoke of the beautiful life of Mrs. Eliza Sulliger, President Emeritus and Secretary of Temperance of Puget Sound Conference—affectionately called by the pastors on her husband's district, "Little Mother." The Puget Sound Conference placed $20 for a memorial membership for her.

The valuable services of Mr. Wm. F. Boyd, the attorney of our Society and an important and influential man in the general Church, were

given fitting representation by Mrs. Robertson, who also spoke of Mr. Richard Dymond—a rare spirit, living to show how rich and true a life may be; modest yet dignified, and of such marked business ability that many of the largest interests of the Church were committed to his care.

Mrs. D. D. Thompson spoke of the invaluable services of Mrs. Elizabeth E. Marcy in the early days of our Society, of her strong intellectuality and its remarkable presentation until the end of life.

In loving recognition of her great gifts to us Mrs. Marcy was made a memorial member by the Rock River Conference.

A loving tribute was given by Mrs. H. C. Jennings to Mrs. Emily Bugbee Johnson, author of our silver anniversary hymn, "Silver bells." A most gracious woman in all the relations of life, whose poetic gift and love for our Society found an expression many times.

With deep emotion Mrs. Kent spoke of the life and service of Mrs. Madeline Wyland, Superintendent of Bancroft Rest Home, whose going away had left the Home motherless. She was made a memorial member.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, spoke words of remembrance of Bishop Willard F. Mallalieu, friend of our Society, friend of humanity.

Mrs. Jones spoke of the godly life of Mr. C. A. Aiken, husband of our beloved Recording Secretary—a modest gentleman who would want no eulogy, but who was in all things God's gentleman.

Mrs. Bodkin, on behalf of the California Conference, asked for a memorial membership for Chief Jim of the Nooksack Tribe, by whose help our mission with that tribe had been established, and gave interesting incidents connected with his life and death.

Mrs. E. M. Mills spoke of Mrs. W. H. Peck, Conference Corresponding Secretary of Central New York Conference, a devoted worker in all departments of our Society.

Twenty dollars were paid to make Mrs. Peck a memorial member.

Miss Boswell, Superintendent of Pittsburgh Deaconess Home, spoke in loving memory of Miss Haney, a deaconess in that Home.

Miss Fowler spoke of Miss Farnam, left an orphan and loved by children as well as older persons. A memorial membership to this devoted woman, who had the true spirit of a deaconess, was provided.

Mrs. Minard gave testimony to the beautiful character of Miss Eliza Morgan, whose death was the first in the Buffalo Home.

Mrs. Dearborne spoke of Mrs. Martha Millsap, mother of Mrs. Piatt, Secretary of the Chinese Bureau. She, too, was made a memorial member.

Mrs. Fannie Lynch read tributes to Mrs. H. C. Gratton, long an officer in the New England Conference, who left a bequest of $1,000 to be divided equally between the Immigrant Home and Medical Mission; Mrs. Lucy Eva Chamberlain, President of Nebraska Conference; Mrs. Mary Cornelius Helwig, Treasurer Indiana Conference; Mrs. T. M. Nuzan, Secretary of Temperance of North Indiana Conference; Mrs. W. C. Hanson, Recording Secretary Kansas Conference (a room in the new Peck Home to be furnished by Kansas Conference in memory of

Mrs. Hanson); Mrs. W. A. Brownell, twelve years Corresponding Secretary Central New York Conference; Mrs. Julia A. Rose, Recording Secretary Michigan Conference; Mrs. M. A. Hayward, former President Northern Minnesota Conference; Mrs. Freeman F. Patten, New England Southern Conference; Mrs. Parker P. Pope, President of Central Ohio Conference; Mrs. H. C. Ent, Central Pennsylvania Conference; Mrs. S. B. Dice, of Kansas Conference; Mrs. W. S. Clark, New England Conference; Mrs. Robt. Purcell, Central Pennsylvania Conference; Mrs. Chas. Olney, Recording Secretary of New York District, New York Conference; Miss Marion Jean Staples, Superintendent of Home Guards of Jersey Shore, Pa., daughter of Mrs. Staples, Corresponding Secretary of Central Pennsylvania Conference, who had been from early life a consecrated worker in the Master's cause.

Miss Melville Campbell sang in a most touching manner "O, Loving Father."

Mrs. Lynch introduced Dr. Sweitzer, of Wellington, Kas., who spoke on "Immortality and the Reward of Christian Service," and said these souls so richly freighted have left an influence that shall live long with us all.

"The Ninety and Nine" was beautifully rendered by Miss Bertha Miller.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Sweitzer, and adjournment followed.

TUESDAY EVENING.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY.

AT 7.45, with the President in the chair, the magnificent tones of the organ sounded the stirring notes of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," thus announcing the approach of the Queen Esther Processional. With banners and flags raised proudly, about five hundred young people marched double file down the main aisle of the church, and separating at the chancel, filed right and left, passing singly up the side aisles. When they reached their assigned positions the fine audience rose, and a grand chorus of praise ascended to the Father, who has not only given us the success of the past, but this glorious promise for the future of our Society—in the singing of "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." In the procession were the Conference Secretaries for Young People and many honorary members.

Mrs. Robinson introduced Mrs. David Daily, Jr., Secretary of the Department of Young People's Work, who presided.

Miss Winetta Stacks offered prayer.

Mrs. Robinson in an appropriate address welcomed the young people and congratulated them upon being reared in a State without a saloon.

She prophesied that from the company before her would come the grandest men and women of the Republic. But our Society, she said, does not stand for patriotism alone—it is God and country. "You are soldiers of Christ. May you help to conquer the land for Him."

Miss Butterfield, Secretary for College Woman's Auxiliaries, was introduced and gave an illuminating address upon the history of the work of women for the Church. Simultaneously with the advance of education among women came the cause of missionary effort. Fourteen per cent of all young women are in Methodist institutions. There are Auxiliaries of college women in Detroit, Albion, Mich., and Indianapolis. Miss Butterfield spoke of the various lines of helpfulness employed by these societies toward young women; but the greatest service that could be given them was to convince them that there is a "career" in home missions, in the study of the problems of the day, and of how Christ might have dominion from sea to sea.

At the close of the address Mrs. Robinson asked all young women who were now in college, or had been students of Baker University and Southwest Kansas College, to rise. A fine number stood. Mrs. Robinson invited them to meet her at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Daily introduced Mrs. D. T. Parkinson, who had planned the details of the fine evening's program.

Mrs. Parkinson said she was glad to show us that there are some young people in Wichita.

Miss Bertha Miller favored the audience with the favorite solo, "The Ninety and Nine."

Mrs. Robinson said, in presenting the Secretary, Mrs. Daily: "There is one kind of genius for which I have profound respect—the genius for hard work and perseverance. These will be sure to bring about desirable results; and these characterize the qualities of the Secretary of this Bureau."

Mrs. Daily gave a fine report of the work of the year.

Miss Barge followed with her report as Field Secretary, showing that she also possessed the genius for hard work and perseverance.

The following Conference Secretaries of Young People's Work were presented: Mrs. Fruitt, Detroit Conference; Mrs. A. Noble, Upper Iowa Conference; Mrs. Cook, Northwest Indiana; Miss Benedict, Northwest Kansas; Mrs. Seymour, Delaware or New York; Mrs. Alkire, New York City; Miss Bergan, Eastern New York; Miss Mince, New England Southern; Mrs. Hacker, Oklahoma Conference; Mrs. Doud, Northern Ohio; Mrs. Kellogg, Des Moines; Mrs. Saxton, Little Rock; Mrs. Geo. Searles, Genesee; Mrs. Lutes, Central Illinois; Mrs. Pitkin, St. Louis; Mrs. Van Gorder, Michigan; Mrs. James A. Hudson, Philadelphia; Mrs. Snyder, Rock River; Mrs. Walkenbaugh, Eastern Ohio; Mrs. Miller, Southern Colorado; Miss Horton, Southwestern Kansas; Miss Kirkwood, Cincinnati; Mrs. Gillett, Cincinnati; Mrs. Northrup, New Jersey; Miss Steiner, Baltimore Conference; Miss Flinn, Northern Indiana, De Pauw

University; Miss Greta Leigh enters our work; Miss Dunlap, Conference Organizer, Illinois Conference; Miss Garrison, Feld Secretary for Colored Conferences.

The exchanging of flags followed, which is always an interesting exercise.

The unique exercise, "Snap Shots," proved to be representatives in costumes of the Indian maiden, the immigrant girl, the Porto Rican lad, the child from the mountains of the South who wanted to go to Boaz to stay, the little Negro boy singing in a sweet voice, "Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me;" the little Alaskan lad who found it was so warm here he wanted to go home where it was so lovely; the little Celestial, happy at San Francisco, but they needed a new home; and a deaconess, holding in her arms a beautiful Mother's Jewel.

Suddenly the lights were dimmed, and the Goddess of Liberty, with the flag floating above her, appeared in the background—a fitting close to a pleasant hour.

Mrs. Daily introduced Miss Barge, who gave the address of the evening. Her opening words were, "This is an intensely practical age when men and women are asking of every possible investment 'Will it pay?'—'What returns will it bring?'" She spoke for a large number of young people who have discovered that the most practical investment of a life is that which beautifies humanity. Women determine the standards of the community, and ultimately of the nation. The girls of to-day are the women of to-morrow. She besought the young people to think of the girls who are denied their birthright in our own land. What Annapolis and West Point are to the Army and Navy of the United States, the Young People's Department is to the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

This fine address was followed by a spirited pledging of life memberships—one for Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. Dailey, and Miss Barge. Pledges were made by Conferences as follows, aggregating nearly $1,400:

Western Jersey, 6; Rock River, 1; East Ohio, 8; Cincinnati, 4; Southwestern Kansas, 5; North Ohio, 5; North New York, 3; South California, 4; Philadelphia, 11; Washington, 1; for Mrs. McCarthy, Texas Conference, Nellie Snyder, 1; Central New York, 1; Illinois, 2; Indiana, 1; St. Louis, 1; Upper Iowa, 1; Des Moines, 6; Michigan, 1; Central Illinois, 1; Northwest Indiana, 3; Little Rock, 5; Tennessee, 5; Nebraska, 1; St. Louis, 1; North Minnesota, 2; Oklahoma, 2; New York East, 4.

Mrs. Daily, Miss Barge, and Mrs. Aiken were made life members and highly appreciated the honor conferred.

"God be with you till we meet again," was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Sweitzer, of Wellington.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE session opened at 9:00, with the President, Mrs. Robinson, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Fletcher Honan, President of the Oregon Conference. Hymn 631 was sung, after which selections from the Psalms were read; prayer was offered, closing with Hymn No. 2.

The President being called from the platform, Mrs. Woodruff took the chair.

The minutes of Tuesday morning were read by Mrs. Aiken, those of Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Albright, and those of the evening session by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

Mrs. Rhone, as Secretary of the Conference Secretaries, presented the following recommendations from that body:

First—In view of the fact that the presidents of Ladies' Aid Societies, of Epworth Leagues, and other affiliated societies of our Church are recognized as members of the Quarterly Conference; therefore be it

Resolved, That we petition the next General Conference of our Church to make it lawful, under the usual restrictions, as to Church membership, for the presidents of the local Auxiliaries of the Woman's Missionary Societies to be recognized as members of the Quarterly Conference of the same Church.

This recommendation was adopted.

Second—We recommend that temperance items be given in *Woman's Home Missions* once in three months, and that one temperance leaflet be sent with the lesson helps each month.

The following substitute was offered by Miss Guernsey, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of Temperance and the editors of *Woman's Home Missions* and leaflets be a committee to adjust this matter so as to secure, if possible, frequent presentation of the subject of temperance during the year.

The third recommendation, as follows, after much discussion was adopted: That each Auxiliary elect its officers in June, thus beginning its year's work at the beginning of the fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

It was moved by Mrs. Park that the special order of the day for 4 o'clock be the consideration of Children's Work. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Roach that we go into Finance Committee meeting. Carried.

At 12 o'clock, Mrs. Robinson resumed the chair, and after notices were given, benediction was pronounced by Dr. Hestwood, and adjournment was made until 2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened with Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson presiding. The devotional services were in charge of Mrs. Clara L. Roach, assisted by Miss Crawford.

The services opened with a silent prayer that all hearts might enter into the spirit of communion. "Come, thou fount of every blessing" and "I love to tell the story" were then sung.

Mrs. Roach gave for the thought of the afternoon, God's great love, saying His grace never fails us, and urged us to get our hearts so full that we shall carry in our faces His gracious love.

Mrs. Edward L. Knostman, Secretary of the West Southern Bureau, being selected by the Bureau Secretaries to represent the colored work in the South, gave to us many statements startling and convincing. She said we often hear that our colored work is our most unpopular work, but she rejoiced that our great Methodist Church was big enough to take in even the lowliest and realizes its responsibility. What has forty-eight years done for these people? They now have homes, lands, are found in our commercial and educational world, and are proving their ability to hold positions of trust and honor. Little is done by the States to provide for their education, and so their need is an opportunity to supply to them the training that will fit them for a life of usefulness and leadership.

Mrs. Burnett, Secretary of the Bureau for Georgia; Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Secretary of the Bureau for Florida; Mrs. H. T. Dennis, Secretary of the Bureau for West Central States; Mrs. E. W. Seeds, Secretary of the Bureau for Texas, occupied the two minutes given to each Bureau, bringing to us not only things of much interest, but a concise statement of their pressing needs.

Mrs. Daniel Smith, in behalf of the Committee on Place of Meeting for the Board of Managers for 1912, submitted the following invitations: Central Ohio Conference to Toledo, Ohio; Des Moines Conference to Des Moines, Iowa. Mrs Gugel, from Central Ohio Conference, said she came to this meeting to invite this body to hold its next convention in St. Paul's Church, Toledo, 1912. She said we had been in the extreme East, in the extreme West, to the Middle East, to the Middle West, and now were invited to Ohio, the best State in the Union, to the State that furnishes our Presidents, to the State that is the mother of this organization, to the State that is the home of our Lucy Webb Hayes, Elizabeth

Lownes Rust, Mrs. McCabe, our Mrs. Delia L. Williams, and a host of women long connected with our work.

Mrs. Griffiths, in speaking for Des Moines, said Ohio had so many good things and so much knowledge that their need was not the need of Des Moines and the great State of Iowa.

After many kindly words for each invitation, a motion was made by Mrs. Roach that we go to Des Moines, and a rising vote resulted in favor of Des Moines. On motion it was voted that a telegram be sent to the committee in Des Moines awaiting the decision.

Miss Barge at this time gave a most interesting and instructive talk upon our study-book, "The Conservation of National Ideas." She called attention to the writers of the various chapters that we might better appreciate the value of this book. She referred to the meeting of study class at Silver Springs in 1902. At that time no study course for Home Missions had been prepared, and the outline work was written on brown paper and tacked to the wall. The next year our first study-book was presented and was written by our own Miss Guernsey. Now we have more than twenty study-books, and this year's book is the best of all.

Mrs. Street asked that Miss Snider have five minutes to tell of her work in Wyoming Mission. The privilege was granted, and Miss Snider told of her visit to one mining town where there are forty-nine nationalities, forty-one saloons, a Chinatown with its heathen gods nailed over the doors, a Japanese town, a Negro town, Swedes, Fins, and Italians. Without the calendar one would never know of the Sabbath day, and, while she was presenting our work in the small church, the blacksmith across the way and the carpenter on the right, with their anvils and hammers filled her address with all forms of punctuation. Moral and spiritual conditions were both low, and the atmosphere of the whole town degrading to children. This town was but a representative of many more, and she pleaded for the great mining section of the Northwest.

Mrs. I. D. Jones was given a few moments for the work at the E. L. Rust Home, situated on the campus of Rust University, Holly Springs, Miss. She reported that their home owned sixteen acres of land, upon which they had raised a large amount of the vegetables used in the home. Her needs were the needs so familiar to us all. She spoke kindly of Miss Becker, and asked that a message of love be sent her.

Miss Guernsey was given ten minutes to present the Children's Work, stating it was the only time given her for two years.

Mrs. McCarty asked permission to publicly express her appreciation to the Queen Esthers of Rebecca McClesky Home for their remembrance of her by making her a member of the Queen Esthers.

Mrs. Bickley asked if the convention felt that a set of By-laws would be helpful in their District Association. An expression of the convention was that they would be helpful. She then moved that a copy of By-laws for District Association, as used by Des Moines Conference, be printed and sent to every Conference to digest and to come up next year to accept and have incorporated in the By-laws.

Miss Guernsey gave notice that "I, or some one in my place, will move next year to amend Article IV, section 3, of the Constitution, by inserting after 'Editor of Children's Home Missions' the words, 'the Secretaries of Young People's Work and of Home Guards and Mother's Jewels.'"

A committee consisting of Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Chancellor was appointed to confer with our National Treasurer as to a blank for delinquent members.

Time for adjournment was announced, but Mrs. Bickley asked that time be given for the report of the Committee on By-laws.

This report was then submitted by Mrs. Bickley, Chairman, and considered *seriatim*. The following items were recommended to take the usual course:

Page 371, Twenty-ninth Annual Report, Conference Organization, Article IV, Section 2—insert after "Secretaries of Young People's Work," *Home Guards, Mothers' Jewels, and the Superintendent of Deaconess Homes.* The last to harmonize with Section (*u*) of Department of Deaconess Work.

Page 371, that the numbering 2, 3, 4 be changed to 5, 6, 7.

Page 371, Section 4, marked 2, strike out "semi-annually" and read *quarterly*.

Page 370, Organization, Article III, Section 5—note the omission of the "Secretary of Young People's Department and of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels."

Page 371, after Article VI, insert Articles VII and VIII on pages 380, 381.

Page 380, in order that this Article VII shall harmonize with the Constitution of the Department of Young People, after "into" read *Young Woman's Auxiliaries;* also add to this article, *The payment of $15 shall constitute a Queen Esther Life Membership.*

That Articles VII-IX correspond to the two insertions.

The following recommendations were adopted:

Page 24, Annual Report for 1910-11, strike out the word "Literature" and insert *Bureau* under Department of Literature.

Page 372, amend reference to preceding Articles in Article VIII to correspond with the re-numbering. Thus—in Article 8, after "except" read *Article IX,* also in last clause read *Article IX.*

Page 375, Section 23. Insert after Reading Circle in first clause "and Study Classes," and in second clause after missionary Reading "and Study Classes."

Page 375, under By-Laws for Annual Meeting, Department of Deaconess Work, amend Section (*k*) to read after "General Superintendent

of Deaconess Work," *aided as she shall need, by the Secretaries of the different Deaconess Bureaus, each in her own field.*

Page 376, that (*s*) be amended to read *ten* instead of "eight."

Page 278, Finance, insert after Section 8: *Section 9. All money received by Bequest and Devise by the Treasurer of a Conference Society shall be sent to the General Treasurer, who shall return it at once to the Treasurer of the Conference Society.*

This action is taken that the report of the General Treasurer may be more exact and cover all amounts received by the Conference.

Page 378, change the numbering of the section to correspond.

Page 385, Constitution for Auxiliaries, Article III, change "ten" to *twenty.*

Page, 385, insert at end of Article VI, *she shall send out blanks prepared by the General Treasurer as a reminder to those who have failed to pay their dues.*

Page 386, By-Laws for Auxiliaries, Section 10, change "ten" to *twenty.*

Page 386, as Article II, insert in Section 3, *the payment of $15 shall constitute a Queen Esther Life Membership.*

This amount to be appropriated only to the payment of the salaries of missionaries.

Page 387, By-Laws for Young People's Societies, strike our "Spiritual," Section 13.

Page 388, Article IV, insert after "any child or young person" *fourteen years of age,* or under.

The report was then adopted as a whole.

Mrs. W. T. Brown, Indianapolis, was asked to preside, as Mrs. Robinson must retire for another meeting.

At 6.15 the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M., the pastor pronouncing the benediction.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

MRS. ROBINSON presiding. Rev. Alonzo Bright, D. D., Superintendent of New Mexico, conducted the devotional exercises by reading the First Psalm and leading in prayer.

The vested choirs of the First and Harvey Street Churches sang the anthem, "God is our refuge and strength."

The President introduced Miss Aletta Garretson, a deaconess of the Kansas City Training School, who displayed stereopticon views of the buildings successively outgrown by the training school and an architect's plan of a new building, and a series of views showing the deaconesses at work in the slums. One hundred and two women had finished the two years' course, and had gone out for Christian service. There was

a great call for Christian workers and not enough young women to send —not enough in the training school.

Mrs. Robinson gave the early history of the Fisk Training School, which had been opened in 1894 by Miss Bancroft and herself.

Rev. J. A. Crouch, D. D., of Yuma, Arizona, then exhibited a large number of lantern slides picturing the Yuma Indians, and lectured on his work among them.

Rev. Alonzo Bright gave an address on New Mexico, and brought word pictures of the people and the country. He told of the manner in which some of these people test the power of God. Compared Porto Rico and the Spanish circuit, 3,000,000 people in each, but there is a much larger apportionment of money by the Board of Home Missions for Porto Rico than for New Mexico. The Spanish Mission Conference is asking the help of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. If he had the ministers he could bring one million new converts into Methodism in a decade. He would rather be a Spanish speaking minister than to be in heaven. He asked the Convention to pray individually for each worker in that lonely land.

Mr. H. W. Stanly, of Wichita, then sang, "My Ain Countree."

Mrs. H. L. Hill made a plea for Mrs. Kent's Bureau and spoke of the book "Around the World in Silence," written by Mrs. Kent's daughter, the profits of which are used for the school at Tucson, Ariz.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Secretary of the Indian Bureau on the Pacific Coast, announced that there were Indian baskets and Navajo rugs for sale in the gallery.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Bright.

THURSDAY MORNING.

MRS. PIATT, of Wichita, had charge of the devotional service. Hymn 128 was sung, and Mrs. Piatt, of California, led in prayer. A duet, "Oh, it is wonderful!" was beautifully sung by Mrs. Woodruff and Mrs. Reese. The story of Martha and Mary, with the Master's commendation of Mary as having "chosen the better part," was the subject of the Scripture lesson read by Mrs. Piatt, who thought we had gotten to a place in our Christian womanhood where we have united the parts of Martha and Mary. In the advance of women in the nineteenth century women had come into the light to such an extent that she was glad that the Men and Religion Movement was in a degree diverting attention from this fact. But she believed that very often the women who stood most in the foreground in public life have the best-ordered households, so that we should no longer be concerned because our Lord said Mary had chosen the better part. They have the spiritual life as well as the practical life. In concluding this service, Mrs. Piatt said the women of this Conference had been doing Martha's work during the

past week; but, peeping through the doors, they had had a part in the more spiritual work of the meeting.

Mrs. Williams spoke assuringly of the love of our homes and of our Master.

Mrs. Roach bore grateful testimony to the unfailing devotion of the pastor of this Church.

Dr. Hestwood, being called, said he was glad to be here and serve us. He had been looking forward with interest to the coming of this convention, and he had not been disappointed.

Miss Bancroft said we had been so royally cared for by Mrs. Piatt, Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment, who had been both our Martha and our Mary, that she moved a formal expression of appreciation by a rising vote of thanks. Carried.

The minutes of Wednesday morning session were read by Mrs. Thompson; those of Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Nason, and of the evening meeting by Mrs. Rhone, and adopted.

The President invited Mrs. D. B. Street to preside during her absence at the session of the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Rhone offered the following recommendation from the Conference Secretaries: That the Board of Managers request the Editor of the Annual Report to print an alphabetical list of names and addresses of the women whose names appear on the first thirty-six pages of the Annual Report for 1909-1910.

As the Bureau Secretaries had a recommendation to present of similar nature, it was moved by Mrs. Woodcock that the committee already appointed by the Conference and Bureau Secretaries constitute a joint committee for the consideration of the entire question. Carried.

Mrs. Turner, Secretary of the Finance Committee, submitted the report, which was adopted with a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Turner. (See Report.)

The following recommendation from the Finance Committee was adopted: "That the $1,100 expended from the Peck Home fund for the purchase of an addition to the lot upon which the Home is building be returned to the fund for Peck Home."

Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Chairman of Day of Prayer Committee, gave an interesting report. In referring to interdenominational friendliness in work, Mrs. Hickman said: "We should have interdenominational friendliness in prayer. If we work together we must pray together." Report accepted. (See Report.)

Miss Evans, Committee on Woman's Home Missions Advance Fund, said the committee recommended that the entire matter be left for each Conference to determine as it deemed wise. The desirability of the fund was supported by Mrs. Mather, with the expressed desire that it be left in the hands of the Publisher. After much discussion, Mrs. Buck offered the following motion: "That the Advance Fund for the distribution of Woman's Home Missions be left in the hands of the Secretary of Supplies,

to be used at the discretion of the Field Secretaries." The vote being questioned, a rising vote was taken, resulting in 36 for the motion and 27 against. The motion was declared carried.

The report of Mrs. J. C. McDowell, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, followed and was heard with great interest.

Mrs. Bickley, in expressing her own appreciation of Mrs. McDowell's untiring service and her generous support of her department, moved a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. McDowell, which was cheerfully given. The report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. A. B. Storms, Chairman of Missionary Candidates Committee, was heard. Mrs. Storms spoke with great appreciation of all with whom she had been associated in the prosecution of her department.

Mrs. Storms introduced Miss Mollie E. Groves, of the East Ohio Conference, who at once goes to Browning Home as Assistant Superintendent.

On motion, report was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Woodcock followed with a short, stirring verbal report of Mothers' Jewels Home. Report adopted with thanks to Mrs. Woodcock. (See Report.)

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park represented Watts de Peyster Home. She expressed regret that Mrs. Norton, the Chairman, had not been present and that Miss Boddington, who had been in attendance upon the Convention, had been compelled to leave. Mrs. Park warmly commended this work. Adopted. (See Report.)

Elizabeth R. Bradley Home was called, and the beautiful little booklet containing cuts of the Home, with a full financial statement, was its spokesman and clearly proclaimed the efficiency and business management of the Home under the chairmanship of Mrs. Perchment.

Cunningham Orphanage was called, but was not represented.

After announcements the session adjourned until 2 P. M. All joined in singing the doxology.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

THE meeting was called to order by Mrs. Park, Third Vice-President.

Mrs. Peck, in conducting the Quiet Hour, announced the hymn, "Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee," after which she led in prayer. She then read three or four verses of the fourteenth chapter of St. John, the theme of which was, "Pray, believing as ye pray." In commenting on this topic, Mrs. Peck said, "Work without prayer is like effort without result, activity without force, because God is not with us; so it pays to take time to be with God."

A beautiful solo closed this most helpful service.

The minutes of the previous session presented by Mrs. Albright and Mrs. Potter were adopted.

Mrs. I. D. Jones suggested that we, as a society, remember the noontide hour of prayer.

A solo by Mrs. Rich added greatly to the effectiveness of the Quiet Hour.

Miss Guernsey, publisher of the *Daily*, announced that a large number of copies of the paper were on hand, and that these would be mailed to any address at the cost of five cents.

Announcement was made that the closing session would be exclusively for delegates, at 7 o'clock this evening.

A sofa-pillow, beautifully embroidered, was exhibited as the work of an elderly woman who could work but two hours a day, because of physical inability. The delegates from the Oregon Conference had brought this work and wanted to create a pillow fund with which to make a life-member of this dear woman. It was suggested that this be done by taking a collection, and ushers passed the baskets, resulting in a nice sum for this purpose.

The subject of immigration was presented by Mrs. Bickley, Secretary of the Bureau, and illustrated by Mrs. Clark, Superintendent of Boston Immigrant Home. Mrs. Clark dwelt upon the crumbling condition of the old and the need of $6,000 to complete the new building. Mrs. Bickley expressed appreciation to the friends for naming a room for Mrs. Amanda C. Clark; also to all others who have named rooms and contributed generously to this Home.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park spoke of the beautiful Christmas at Ellis Island, in which our Methodist women had a part.

Our hostesses were invited to the platform and, with gracious words of appreciation by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, who voiced our sentiment as she presented little tokens of love to the following ladies: Mrs. Piatt, President of the Convention Union, a basket; Mrs. Eberly, a teapot; Mrs. Kirkwood, bit of lace; Mrs. Burns, a basket; Mrs. Johnson, beads.

Mrs. Woodruff invited Dr. Hestwood to the platform and fittingly presented to him the bear-skin robe, not because he had the bear spirit, but because he had so kindly cared for our every comfort. In reply he expressed his love for the Woman's Home Missionary Society and, relating his early experience in the ministry, told what it meant to him to receive one of our missionary barrels, and regretted that more of the ministers of this Conference had not availed themselves of the inspiration of this meeting. In closing he paid a tribute to the loyal women of Wichita, who have made us all so comfortable.

The report of Marcy Home, by Mrs. D. D. Thompson, showed the capacity and work done in that Home. Mrs. Thompson also spoke for the Chicago city work, stating that less than ninety years ago Chicago was a hamlet, now a city of two million, and their growth had been their em-

barrassment. She gave incidents and results of the work they had been enabled to care for. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Young presented the appended, which was adopted:

"The Bureau Secretaries recommend that in the arrangement of the next Annual Report the Bureaus be grouped according to the character of the work, and that, as an addition to the Table of Contents, there be a list of the Bureaus, and the Homes comprising each."

Mrs. Griffiths, in reporting for Committee on Banks for use in collecting Auxiliary dues, said the matter had been left with Mrs. George H. Thompson, Treasurer, to arrange as she deemed wise.

The Glenn Home Report was given by Mrs. I. D. Jones and revealed the need of this Home in Cincinnati. Mrs. Jones spoke in appreciation of the management and asked that it be remembered in our pledges.

Mrs. Potter, Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, said what we do for Utah should be done *now,* and suggested things to be done to make our work more effective.

Mrs. Potter recommended a leaflet issued by the Interdenominational Council of Women for Christian and Protective Association, to be found at Room 99, 542 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The following, offered by Mrs. Potter, was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The pratice of polygamy in Utah and elsewhere in the United States continues to defy the laws of the States and to disgrace the Nation in the eyes of the world; and

"WHEREAS, There can be no adequate or permanent cure for the evil except through an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for Federal laws prohibiting and punishing polygamy; therefore be it

"*Resolved,* That we pledge our influence and best effort to the end that application be made by the several States to our National Congress for such an amendment to the Constitution, with the assurance that when two-thirds of the States have so applied, measures may be taken by Congress for the ratification of such amendment;

"*Resolved,* That every Auxiliary should especially endeavor by personal solicitation to pledge the Senators and Representatives from their several States and districts to work and vote for the passage of an application for such an amendment."

Mrs. Potter reported the following States as having passed the resolution for amendment to the Constitution of the United States: New York, New Jersey, Iowa, West Virginia, Delaware, Missouri, Maine, North Dakota, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, California, Washington, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, New Hampshire, Nebraska, Texas, Arkansas, Montana, and Ohio.

Miss Garrison, Field Secretary, reported 300,000 members of the Methodist Episcopal Colored Churches ready to accept our Woman's Home Missionary Society work as she presented it to the different charges in her itineraries. "Twelve or fifteen million Negroes are Americans, just as you are; their ideals are American, just as yours are; they look to us for help and inspiration." She spoke of Thayer Home and told of a number of graduates who had gone out in broad fields of service. (See Report.)

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson spoke of the heavy duties of this convention, but had prayed for wisdom and sweetness to preside justly, and said her motto had been, "For God giveth not the spirit of fear, but the spirit of power and of a sound mind."

On motion of Mrs. D. D. Thompson it was voted that the workers use this inspiring verse as their motto for the year.

Miss Guernsey reported literature sales about $200.

Mrs. Hill moved that the Secretary of this Society forward to the Secretary of the Consumers' League and the Secretary of the National Child Labor Committee the resolutions passed by this body referring to these societies respectively. Adopted.

Mrs. Bancroft asked permission to name the new hall at Kansas City Training School Schoellkopf Hall, in appreciation of gifts to that institution from the heirs of Mr. Schoellkopf.

Mrs. Bickley spoke of the importance to the work of the Editor of our Annual Report being in attendance upon the sessions of this body.

Mrs. Woodworth moved that all reports be in the hands of the Editor by November 15th, and that the Report be finished by December 15th.

On motion of Mrs. Mather, the following was presented to be added to By-law:

By-law 23. Reading Circles, Home Mission and Study Classes.

Mrs. Aiken in highest terms of commendation recommended "A Manual," the book issued and prefaced by Mrs. Guernsey.

Adjourned to meet at 7 P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE closing session at 7 o'clock was executive, with Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, Second Vice-President, in the chair.

Two verses of "Rock of Ages" were sung, after which Mrs. H. L. Hill read from the 19th Psalm and Mrs. M. E. Roberts offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous session were submitted by Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Nason and adopted.

Mrs. Roach presented the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees have recommended the erection at Washington, D. C., of Robinson Hall; and

WHEREAS, This new building and Rust Hall will occupy the entire frontage on North Capitol Street, thus uniting two names that will ever live in the hearts of the women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Mrs. Rust, the first Corresponding Secretary of the Society and largely its foundress; and Mrs. Robinson, the foundress of the Deaconess work of our Society and now its loved and honored President; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church do now grant the privilege to Rev. W. H. Wilder, President of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School, to raise $60,000 or more for the erection of Robinson Hall at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Potter moved that "The History of Deaconess Work and Training Schools for Women in American Methodism," prepared by request of the Board of Trustees, be endorsed by this body, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Aiken submitted the recommendations from the Board of Trustees for Bureau Secretaries, Chairmen of Standing Committees, etc., as found on pages 3–39, and they were confirmed.

The committee appointed to consider new work and to make recommendation concerning its recognition and the distribution of funds allowed for it, submitted its report to the Board of Trustees, which after consideration was approved as follows for recommendation to the Board of Managers. These were adopted as follows:

Rock Springs, Wyoming, to receive an unconditional appropriation of $350.

That the work at South Beloit, Wis., receive Conference recognition with an unconditional appropriation of $100.

That an appropriation of $350, unconditional, be authorized to support worker on Ashland District, West Wisconsin Conference.

That the East St. Louis Slavonic Mission be given Conference recognition, with $300 conditional and $300 unconditional appropriation.

That the Colored work in East St. Louis, Central Missouri Conference, receive Conference recognition, with an unconditional appropriation of $100, and permission to secure money in its own Conference.

That the Indianapolis Italian Mission receive Conference recognition, with $500 conditional appropriation.

That the question of opening Russian work be referred to the officers of the Deaconess Department, and that we recommend an additional appropriation of $100 to the proffered $100 from Mrs. Wm. A. Gamble of Cincinnati.

Because of the strategic importance of the location at El Paso, we

recommend the very early resumption of the work by the Bureau Secretary.

That the work at Portland, Ore., be given national recognition, with an unconditional appropriation of $1,000.

That the McCrum Slavonic Training School receive an unconditional appropriation of $500.

That the work at Nome, Alaska, be made an extension of the Sinuk work, the expense for the present year having been provided by Mrs. R. H. Young.

An unconditional appropriation of $300 be made to open a station on Angel Island under the care of the Bureau for Immigrant Work, the Secretary of the Bureau to make arrangements for local committee to care for same.

The appended recommendation was not adopted.

That the work at Harlan and Olive Hill, Ky., respectively, be made Conference work, with an unconditional appropriation of $500 each.

Mrs. Onstott made a strong plea that the work at Harlan and Olive Hill be made national; and when the President, Mrs. Robinson, asked if one of these points could be made national, which would she choose, Mrs. Onstott's answer was, "Can a mother choose between her twins?" The sympathy of the convention for this work was expressed in a unanimous vote that the Homes, for the building of which Kentuckians had already made liberal pledges, should be made national.

On motion of Mrs. Potter a vote prevailed that the lot offered in Ogden, Utah, by Mr. J. J. Brummitt for a deaconess home be accepted with thanks and the expectation that a Home be established in the near future.

Mrs. Aiken offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That our Bureau Secretaries, when building new Homes and schools, have photographic views of the progress of the work taken, and thus aid in preserving a pictorial history of each building.

On behalf of the special Committee appointed to consider the possible use of the key as the only relic of the late disaster at Farmington, the Chairman, Mrs. Aiken, submitted the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. J. N. Simmons has presented a key to the Recording Secretary as the only relic of the Farmington Navajo Mission destroyed by flood; therefore

Resolved, That a cut of this key be used at the head of a new leaflet telling the thrilling story in fitting words, and that the leaflet be widely circulated with a plea for help in opening a door of entrance for a new home and school for the 28,000 Christless Navajo Indians; and

Resolved, That this key be committed to the care of the Secretary of

the Bureau for Indian and Mexican Work, and preserved in the new building.

Mrs. Williams reported the withdrawal of the Central Swedish Conference from our ranks.

The work of translating and printing German leaflets was presented. Dr. Morf, a superannuated preacher in the Chicago German Conference, kindly offers to translate all leaflets. The expense of printing these leaflets was allowed.

Attention was called by the Recording Secretary, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, to the fact that some life members think that the payment of life membership money exempts them from annual dues, and it was desired to signalize the opposite view at this meeting of the Board of Managers.

Mrs. Daily moved that we consider the payment of life membership a courtesy, and that it does not absolve the person from payment of annual dues. Carried.

The minutes submitted by Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Potter were adopted.

Mrs. Aiken offered the appended, which was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, The Assistant Secretaries have with ability and painstaking accuracy aided so largely in recording the proceedings of this convention; therefore,

Resolved, That this body heartily join the Recording Secretary in tendering them deserved recognition in a rising vote of thanks.

The closing features of this wonderful meeting are indelibly stamped upon heart and mind.

Scripture verses were repeated, and songs were sung with deep feeling.

The President, Mrs. Robinson, came very close to the hearts of the sympathizing and devoted members of this band of sisters when she spoke with rare skill and judgment of existing difficulties resulting from the administration of the Murry Bequest. While she was speaking God-given words, her emotions were so intense that she paused. Then softly and tenderly came from the audience this song:

"Fear not, I am with thee; O, be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid.
I 'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My gracious, omnipotent hand!"

Mrs. Robinson then resumed her address, and at its close the delegates rose, pledging their prayers and loyal support as expressed in words of thrilling eloquence by Mrs. Bickley.

The text for the year, "God giveth not the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind," was repeated by Mrs. Robinson. "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" was sung, Mrs. Mather led in prayer for guidance, and the Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church adjourned with the prayerful words, "The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another."

Mrs. F. A. Aiken, *Recording Secretary.*

Mrs. E. L. Albright,
Mrs. B. S. Potter,
Mrs. D. D. Thompson,
Mrs. L. M. Nason,
Mrs. D. L. Rhone,
Assistants.

Annual Address of the President.

Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson.

Members, delegates, and friends! All friends of God and the home land! We welcome you to our Annual Meeting, a convocation of great privilege and also weighty responsibility.

The past year has been one of signal mercies. Our Society has increased in membership and in income, but our increased demands have caused us to close the financial year with scarcely even balanced books. The pressure upon our Trustees for the sanction of new work is insistent and at times painful, almost overpowering. For years our early Mission at Atlanta, Thayer Home, has waited for rebuilding, but sufficient money has not been secured. The McCrum Slavonic Training School is a unique institution in its field of work and in its opportunities. Our Methodism has no other school established solely for the religious training of the Slavonic people, representatives of the great races of Southeastern Europe, who furnished Protestantism with such leaders and martyrs as John Huss and Jerome of Prague.

Why are these people so interesting to Americans who travel across the ocean and regard them in their native environment in Poland and Hungary, yet so uninteresting when they have come to be our neighbors in the mining towns of Pennsylvania, doing the hard and ill-paid labor that our native-born Americans now refuse to perform? We ought to help our Slavonic Training School. Who will aid us by special gifts?

The list of new institutions clamoring for entrance into our fold is so great, the demands are so many, that it is impossible for your Trustees to rightly choose among them. You will be asked to appoint a committee from the floor which shall take these pathetic and heart-rending appeals into just consideration and report their conclusions to this body for final decision.

IMMIGRATION.

It has been my rare opportunity and great pleasure to attend the Fourth Ecumenical Conference, just closed, in Toronto, as one of the delegates representing the women of Methodism. No subject impressed so deeply the representatives of world-wide Methodism as that of the vast number of foreign peoples pouring into the boundaries of Canada and the United States. The most cursory observer could see that we are confronted by a problem that no other nations have

had to solve since the beginning of history. You and I know that the speediest, the most economical, and the most permanent way to make of these immigrants good citizens and good Americans is to make them good Christians. Women of our Society, we share in this solemn responsibility and splendid privilege.

THE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC.

Has not the time arrived when our Society should take a further step in advance and stand shoulder to shoulder with our sisters of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in their brave fight against this wicked vice?

It was only in June of 1910 that the United States Congress passed a law known as the "White Slave Traffic Act," prohibiting the importation of girls or women from one State to another or from foreign countries into this country for immoral uses. Since that date the States of Maryland, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Virginia, Iowa, Louisiana, New York, South Carolina, Ohio, Massachusetts, and other States have passed similar laws to put these States in accord with the Federal law. What can we women do to help?

When in Toronto, lately, I was told of one good woman who has stirred mightily the whole of Canada, from ocean to ocean, on this great wrong, this malignant evil that threatens our Christian civilization. Our Travelers' Aid deaconesses have stories to tell that would stir your hearts, of the rescue of innocent, unsuspecting girls from blasted lives.

Two years ago, in San Francisco, our deaconesses told us of men at the railroad station who threatened them with violence, using coarse, obscene language because some girls just arriving from inland towns were warned not to go to certain streets and were directed to respectable boarding houses. Instead of relying alone on these brave, individual efforts, let us go forward as a Society and pledge our aid to all efforts to overcome this abhorrent evil.

Especially should we take active measures to aid our San Francisco deaconesses by bringing influence to bear upon the railroad authorities to permit proper printed warnings to be placed in the stations such as the Young Women's Christian Association have introduced.

OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

Childhood and youth are our great fields of opportunity. "Five-sixths of all our conversions occur under eighteen years of age." How essential, then, that Woman's Work in the Christian Church shall give absorbing attention to the age "when five-sixths of the decisions for Christ are made!" This care and intelligent study of children can not be confined alone to the orphaned and homeless

child. Society is learning that vicious and degraded parents have no parental rights to ruin both soul and body of their children. A recent number of "The Survey" makes a plea for more and better laws to protect children in degraded homes. The writer says, "Children should be lifted out of such homes bodily at the earliest possible moment, not hesitatingly, but with the same assurance and steadiness with which one would draw them from a dangerous bog or quicksand." I give it as my unhesitating conviction that we Christian women should go farther than we do in allying ourselves with all organized movements to benefit humanity. "The glorious liberty wherewith Christ doth make us free" forbids us to limit our Christian activities. Our religion must be alive with a sense of a living and present God who is able to cure physical and moral evil, disease, and sin. We must take a personal interest in the welfare of neglected, suffering little children. We must believe

"That in His homeless little ones Christ walks among us yet.
In them He suffers hunger, in them He is aweary;
In them is cold and shelterless, astray in byways dreary.
Shall we go peaceful, happy, nor fear a taint of sin,
While we ope no door in pity to let the Christ-child in?"

That there is great work for our Children's and Young People's Department, outside of the work of gathering them together into organized Circles and Bands, is evident from the following facts reported by our Board of Sunday Schools.

There are 8,000,000 young people between the ages of five and eighteen years in the United States not in the Sunday schools of either the Roman Catholic or the Protestant Churches. "There are," said Dr. Downey, "over 1,000,000 children in the States of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon—two-thirds of the child population of these States—that are not reported in the Sunday schools. New England has 800,000 and New York 2,200,000 children not yet reached, while among the colored children of the nation there are 3,000,000 more."

Secretaries of our Children's and Young People's Department! Yours is a great task, worthy the gift of life and love. Band together the children and young people of the Church and work for these children and young people who have none to teach them of God and Christ. "In this call to battle, hear God's voice."

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND THE NEGRO.

A few years ago some of our women were saying that our Society was forgetting its first love; i. e., work among the Negroes. The record of the past years shows this to be a mistake. One of

our oldest missions, Boylan Home, has enlarged its grade of instruction, has moved into beautiful new quarters, and has an entire city block walled in, where the girls can exercise freely in recreation hours without disturbing unsympathetic neighbors, providing space also for the future growth of the school.

Browning Home and Mather Academy have so recommended their benefits to the colored people that a benefactor in New England is erecting a fine edifice for our school. Thayer Home, at Atlanta, is yet waiting for its new building, which it deserves to have and should have. Who will give it?

Peck Home, in New Orleans, the new Peck Home, is phœnix-like arising from its ashes, promising to do far better things for the colored girls of Louisiana than we have ever yet been able to offer them. Savannah and Haven Home demand better surroundings and more efficient help, but we are not forgetting them. Our Träining School for Colored Deaconesses, in Nashville, is yet in its formative period, but the seed is planted and it is bound to grow. Our work in Texas needs more immediate and effective help, but there are good women planning for its advancement.

No, our work for the uplifting of the colored race is not lessening; it is in a state of growth and, like all growing things, some parts are growing slowly and others more rapidly, according as the conditions are more or less favorable.

How could a missionary society ever fail in loving duty to the Negro race when our entire mission work in the Methodism of America was begun (as I told you last year) "by a colored man, John Stewart, and the first convert was an Indian squaw."

You and I both rejoice that a special act of recognition is to be given John Stewart by our Church the present year. We must continue to foster and promote our work for the Negro people, for the need is great.

Dr. M. C. B. Mason said (February 11th): "Forty-seven years ago the Negro was turned loose without a cent. To-day he owns 350,000 homes, valued at two and a quarter million dollars; 240,000 farms, valued at two and a half million dollars, and personal property valued at nearly one hundred million dollars. In the State of Georgia alone there are eighty-eight thousand Negro land owners, and the colored people throughout the State pay taxes on $27,000,000.

"With all that has been said about Negro education being a burden to the South, yet we find, from an address delivered before the Southern Educational Society by the Superintendent of Public Education of Winston, N. C., that the Negroes of Georgia paid into the Public School Fund of that State $141,682; of North Carolina, $26,539; and of Virginia, $18,077 more than was appropriated to schools for Negroes in these States.

"These are significant facts and show conclusively that the black man is growing steadily, and that what has been done to aid him since emancipation has not pauperized him, but has enabled him to help himself."

These are facts made possible by Christian training and standards of living; but do not take these favorable aspects of a great problem and think there is no great need of further effort. Hear the words of another officer of our Church: "My heart is drawn out to that vast number of unchurched colored people in the South, that great, sweltering mass which no one reaches. Think of it! Of the ten millions of colored people in the South it is safe to say that two-thirds of the number are unchurched and illiterate."

God help us Christian women by giving us strength, means, and purpose to help our brothers and sisters of the Negro race!

HOW SHALL WE ENLIST WORKERS FOR HOME MISSIONS?

Shall we organize a Volunteer Students' Movement for Home Missions?

We need to enlist more young women of piety, devotion, and ability as workers, especially to serve us as Field Secretaries.

The rapid influx of population into the Dakotas, Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming—yes, into all the States of the Northwestern Empire—and like conditions in the swiftly-growing problems demand careful consideration. Even in the more settled portions of our work, where we have had Conference organizations for over a quarter of a century, there is a constant demand for Field Secretaries to serve as organizers.

We ought to have some plan of procedure to enlist our young women for our own work as effectually as does the Students' Volunteer Movement for our Foreign Work.

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

The past year has been one marked by great blessings from the loving hands of our Heavenly Father and also by periods of pain and anxiety.

Will you pardon the personal reference if I tell you how I wrote you my New Year's Message, inciting you to earnest endeavor all along the line to increase the membership of our Society? It was with my right arm closely bound in surgical bandage, unable to move my fingers. What a comfort were your swift, loyal responses! They came to me from throughout the United States. Just glance at the record. When you honored me by electing me your President, three years ago, we had:

1908 —adult members, 97,349; young people, 20,930; children, 28,342;
1908-9 —adult members, 104,156; young people, 22,643; children, 31,961;

1909-10—adult members, 114,089; young people, 23,657; children, 30,818; 1910-11—adult members, 118,400; young people, 30,128; children, 29,037.

We are advancing. Do not lessen your efforts. Rather redouble your energy.

Have you read the earnest message of our good foreign sisters to Methodist young women as they are making their simultaneous campaign for membership during this October? "Claim all the young people of your town that belong to you as Methodists. Watch and pray and work, and the Lord will bless the seed-sowing."

OUR BOND BURNING.

We are all gratified—cheered—comforted by the fact that with three months of the placing before you of our financial burdens, we have secured nearly enough to burn away one quarter of our floating debt. May God bless our efforts to consume away the remainder of these hampering bonds during this financial year!

FINALLY.

The President would do great injustice to her feelings and sense of propriety if she did not convey to all the various officers and workers of the Society grateful acknowledgment and high appreciation of the arduous duties and responsibilities assumed by them in establishing and carrying forward our important enterprise.

During the year many of our valued co-laborers have passed on to their coronation in the heavenly land. The thought of them spurs us to greater efforts as we realize how short is the time of our activity.

What wonderful compensations are ours in bearing the burdens of others. By sharing in their struggles and labors, we help mightily in working out our own lives. Our mind is given a new grip on perplexing problems; the soul is invigorated.

If we work for ourselves only, nothing satisfies. It is only when unselfish purpose triumphs over low ambitions that peace and victory come. The greatest life ever lived in the world shows us that not to be ministered unto, but to minister, is the divine life. Our task to us seems a glorious one. It may to you seem a lowly task. But—

> "The lowly deed is a lofty test!
> And whatever is done from the heart to Him,
> Is done from the height of the Seraphim."

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Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams.

Dr. George Adam Smith tells us that there is an old Greek miniature which represents the Prophet Isaiah with Night behind him, veiled and sullen, and holding his torch reversed. But before him, and leading him on is Dawn, a little child with bright face and forward step, holding his torch erect and burning, while from above, a hand pours light upon the upturned face of the prophet.

Isaiah was God's messenger to men, and stands in this representation for a revelation of spiritual truth. May not this Woman's Home Missionary Society claim, without unwarrantable assurance, to be also a messenger of truth? And why may we not, too, confidently expect, if our faces are turned heavenward for light, to see sin and night get sullenly behind us, while we are led on into a new and more beautiful day? For "our noon is not behind us. We are toiling amid the mists of the early morning; it is the rising sun that lights our way."

As we go back twenty years in our history we realize, as we can not when we watch the growth from year to year, how much has been accomplished. Excellent work has been done by devoted women, but a farmer does not sit down satisfied when he has made productive some of the fields of his farm, while there are others quite as promising still undeveloped. One who carefully studies the matter can not but feel that there is great Home Missionary "land yet to be possessed" in every Conference. Even in those best developed we see that we have only made a beginning. For the sake of the women themselves we can not rest with what we have done. When we realize what the Society has done for us, we want others to have the same opportunity for growth and service.

How shall we, in an orderly way, set about presenting our work to every woman in our several Conferences? The Annual Conference Minutes will tell us the number of members in the Church in each Superintendent's district. It is an under-estimate to assume that half of this number are women and girls. Our annual reports show

how many members we have in each district. Thus our field for work is distinctly defined, which is the difference between what we have and what is yet to be had. This will indicate what each district has before it, and the District Secretaries can determine the proportion each Auxiliary should take. It is not enough that an Auxiliary get a few additional members in its own congregation, we must get out into unworked fields adjacent to us. Then if each Conference, District, and Auxiliary start out on a five-year campaign, what might we not accomplish? The method is not important. Try the one suggested by our President a year ago; or if you think you have a better one, use it; but having your work charted and assigned, expect it to be done by some method. This plan of careful division of work succeeds in finance, and no other plan, or lack of plan, does succeed. Why should it not succeed in developing a membership?

SOME STATISTICS.

We now number 3,799 Auxiliaries, 119,130 Auxiliary members, 30,128 Circle members, 7,054 Guards, 21,983 Jewels. A total of 178,295 contributing members.

In five years our increase has been in Auxiliary members 30,936, and in Circle members 10,220; a total increase in Auxiliaries and Circles of 41,756, and in Guards and Jewels 3,925.

The cash income from the Conferences is $232,329.59. The voucher credits turned in to the treasury last year for city missions, hospitals, training schools, and deaconess work are $345,327.74, to which if we add bequests, annuities, endowments, and cash supplies, we have a total income, less cash balance and receipts, not income, for the year of $701,217.76. Eight of the Conferences have made a cash advance of more than five hundred dollars each; the largest being in Genesee, which paid $1,823.24 more than the preceding year.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The Society is to be congratulated upon the enterprise of the Bureau Secretaries, so many of whom are making fine improvements on their property. As all the funds received for buildings are from "conditional appropriations," there must have been great "faith" and enthusiasm, joined to carefully-planned "works," to have brought so much to pass.

The new Peck Home, so long delayed, is now under way and is to be rebuilt on a lot valued at $1,100 that lies next the Campus of the New Orleans University, which lot has been generously deeded to the Woman's Home Missionary Society by the Freedmen's Aid Society.*

* The property upon which the Peck Home is being rebuilt is valued at $6,000, all of which, except a portion for which the Woman's Home Missionary Society paid $1,100, is the generous gift of the Freedman's Aid Society.

The Chinese Home in San Francisco, destroyed by earthquake and fire, is a fine building nearing completion and is well adapted to the purpose proposed in its erection. Cost, $35,000.

A new Indian Home at Farmington, New Mexico, is being built, but can not be completed till additional funds are provided.

A fine school building is being erected at Camden, S. C., and as soon as this is completed the present school building will be reconstructed into a dormitory for girls. Both these buildings are greatly needed to accommodate this growing school.

The Immigrant Home in East Boston, so long considered doubtfully safe, has been vacated, that it may be torn down and the site made ready for a new building to cost $25,000, of which about $19,000 is already pledged.

Cunningham Children's Home has a much-needed addition, giving more dormitories, together with school-rooms, store-rooms, etc., at a cost of $14,000.

A commodious and long-anticipated Deaconess Home has been erected in Columbus, Ohio, the deaconess work having been heretofore carried on in a rented building.

The walls of the Italian Settlement building in Utica, N. Y., are up, but the completion awaits additional funds.

The Beth El Hospital at Colorado Springs, representing a value of $150,000, was dedicated with interesting ceremonies July 2d. This hospital is most beautifully located and takes its place among the best-equipped hospitals of the West. It will accommodate seventy patients, thirty nurses, and the help needed for adequate service.

All these improvements will be reported in detail by their respective Secretaries.

FIELD WORKERS.

Our field workers are still in constant demand and in some parts of the year are quite overworked. Several of them have been giving themselves during the entire summer to constant and nerve-wearing work, while some of us have been recruiting our strength at seaside and in mountains.

Miss Mahon has been able to do but little public work during the year and wishes to be placed for the present in the list of reserves. Mrs. Allen is suffering from a severe throat difficulty and thinks she must be relieved of duty altogether. Miss Corbin has been overworking and is ordered by her physician to take a change of work for a time. This reduces our force so much that we may not be able to meet all the requests from the Conferences. But while we labor for the extension of the work in the newer fields, we must diligently care for the strong Conferences, for we look to them largely for our funds. Has not the time come when these Conferences

can take the responsibility of developing each its own field worker and of assuming her support? It would abundantly pay the outlay in any Conference to keep a woman constantly looking after new Auxiliaries and inspiring old ones, organizing and officering Auxiliaries, Circles, and children's societies, planning rallies and joint meetings—a kind of Conference superintendent working along all missionary lines with the District Superintendents. She would have in most Conferences not more than two months for each district, while a District Superintendent has twelve months. This would leave the general field worker free for special occasions and for the needs of the weaker Conferences.

DEACONESS WORK.

The deaconess work is growing in interest and importance. The demand for deaconesses is always much larger than the supply. We want a large accession of earnest, strong young women, capable mentally and physically, to devote a few years, at least, of their time to this form of Christian work. There are neither financial nor social rewards to offer. If worthily done, it must be done alone for the love of Christ and His children.

Can not every Conference find one candidate for our training schools each year, thus enabling the Deaconess Bureau soon to answer the earnest appeals that come to it, which it can not now do?

OUR LITERATURE.

That all may be thoroughly furnished unto every good word and work, the Woman's Home Missionary Society has provided for its members an excellent body of literature. First of all is our *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions,* with 37,170 and 22,877 subscribers, respectively. Our leaflet literature is abundant, and constantly growing better. The new study book, added to the long list of valuable books published annually for several years past, makes an invaluable missionary library. A large number of subsidiary helps, such as "The Twenty Years' History of the Woman's Home Missionary Society," "Deaconesses in Europe and America," and thirty years of Annual Reports, besides a large body of valuable literature published by the Board of Home Missions and others, so thoroughly furnish the workmen that none need to be ashamed.

And may I suggest that every person here urge those they can influence to read Home Missionary literature? Reading makes the full man, and to be effective we must be full both of facts and zeal. Were our literature put into the hands of those outside the Society, many could be won that are not now interested.

SUPPLY WORK.

Our supply work is growing in acceptability and service. Perhaps one caution may not be amiss. Now that all supplies represent cash or cash expenditure, great judgment should be exercised in making purchases for barrels, lest money be expended for that not most needed, or put into cheap things when fewer and better would be more acceptable. All gifts are not equally useful. A careful correspondence with families to be supplied would determine the exact needs.

SUMMER MEETINGS.

A larger attention has been given to camp-meetings, Chautauquas, and conventions the past summer than usual, and the meetings have been found very profitable. From the five Interdenominational Missionary Conferences at Northfield, Mass.; Winona, Ind.; Minnetonka, Minn.; Boulder, Colo.; and Mt. Hermon, Cal., we have excellent reports. Of Ocean Grove, Mt. Lake Park, Chautauqua, and other important summer gatherings, good things are said. Can we not plan still larger things for the future? May we not expect each Conference Secretary to seek an opening for the presentation of our work at all suitable summer gatherings within the bounds of her Conference? It is a paying advertisement.

Now that we have an interdenominational study book, it can not be an intrusion to seek an opportunity to present, at least, the contents of the book in a series of lectures, together with such other inspiring truth as we can command. The presence of some of our missionaries could be secured to add to the interest. Our stereopticon lectures could be given, and a display be made of our literature and domestic work if arranged for in time.

May I urge every Conference Secretary to look carefully after the chance for a hearing and begin now to plan for her next summer campaign?

AFFILIATIONS AND CO-OPERATION.

There is, at present, a very strong feeling that much money and labor are *wasted* in Church work, and that by lack of co-operation unnecessary missions are established, churches built, and pastors poorly supported. This is a sign that Churches are moving away from mere denominationalism out towards real Christian service. Why can not Home Missionary Boards show the way to profitable co-operation and in their sphere solve the problem of economy of administration, or at least bring it nearer a solution?

We have usually taken the very reasonable ground that we could not contribute to work where we did not own property or have the

entire responsibility of the mission. Possibly we are wrong. It may be that it would be well to consider in some cases joint activities. In a very few instances we have tried it, and it seems to have wrought no ill. Possibly we could care for one department of a joint work where we could not establish and support a work of several departments. This is quite worth weighing, at least in relation to our Home Board and our city missionary societies.

There has recently been held in Albuquerque a five-days' meeting of all the mission workers in New Mexico. They had a good program of practical topics. Our ladies at Harwood Home entertained the members at a luncheon and speak in high terms of the value of the conference.

A committee has been organized in San Francisco composed of representatives from the various denominations doing Oriental work in and around that city. This committee expects by friendly conference to secure harmony of spirit, uniformity of method, economy in literature, and co-operative evangelistic effort.

We hope these moving straws may indicate an oncoming wind of the spirit of mutual helpfulness in all missionary work.

WHAT WE WOULD DO.

Some of our friends thinking we have large means at command, feel almost hurt because we do not grant their very reasonable pleas for help. Instead of but two Bureaus of white work in the South, caring for but four Industrial Homes and three schools, we should have twice that number. We should have more Indian work, more Spanish-American work, and very much more work in the cities and among the mining populations. All this we should be only too glad to take up at once if we had the means. The Board of Managers will be grateful to any one who can suggest any economies or accession of means which will enable us to take on this additional work. Our sympathies are wide enough; it is only our purses that are straitened.

We are expecting that the remaining $50,000 of the $200,000 we set out to raise as a special offering will be pledged at this meeting, and the bonds representing this amount be reduced to ashes and smoke; and then the interest, at least $2,500, will be released, which will enable us to help some new work to that amount at least. We fully expect by the end of the current year to see this done. It will be a smaller accomplishment than some things we have already done.

SOME CAUTIONS.

We are constantly getting new members, and additional Auxiliaries are being organized, and still our membership is not so largely

increased as it should be, considering the number of accessions. The difficulty seems to be that we lose members by death, removal, and waning interest. For example, the Secretary of Young People's Work reports 214 new Circle organizations, but the gain was but 134; thus showing a loss of 80 organizations. This is an alarming shrinkage, unless it can be shown that a large proportion of these Circles passed over into Auxiliary Societies. But even so, we ought to keep our number good from the graduation of those below. Will not every Conference Board make this loss of membership a special subject of study? I would recommend that this be considered by the Conference Secretaries in their conferences at this meeting, and that a standing committee be appointed to correspond for information and suggestion, this committee to make recommendations on "How to hold our membership" at the next meeting of the Board of Managers.

There is very properly a growing interest in Conference and city work. But there is great danger that the needs that are seen will obscure the vision of those that are not seen, and that while the city work prospers, the earlier work which depends on the treasury for support will suffer. The demands near home are constant and pressing, but the Society has pledged itself to the support of the earlier work, and is in duty bound to carry it till it can be made self-supporting or be supported locally. The needs are as insistent as ever, and success has created still greater and other needs. We could not wish it otherwise, but the price of success is added responsibility, which we can not ignore and be faithful to our trust. God has blessed the work established by the early builders, and first of all we must see that it is generously sustained.

Again I wish to emphasize the importance of letting such of our friends as are about to make "wills" know of the needs of the Society or, better still, suggest to them to let the Society give them an annuity contract. People who have small estates and need the income from them during life, can by such a contract secure a good rate of interest, in an absolutely safe institution, and be relieved of all care of property and of the danger of a "will," the purpose of which is often defeated by expectant heirs. Then, too, the cost of the administration of an estate is avoided, the interest is regularly and promptly paid, without even a reminder, the investment can not be lost, and it is continually doing good.

May I suggest that it will be well to supply ourselves with leaflets on this subject and put them into the hands of women who will be grateful for information on such matters?

By accident we learn occasionally that bequests are made to Conferences or to local Homes of the Society which are never reported as such to the Treasurer. Should not, both for due recognition of

the donor and due credit to the Society, *all* bequests be reported to the general treasury or, better still, pass through the general treasury to the legatees, as provided by the terms of the will?

OUR NEEDS.

We need for our inspiration and encouragement a sense of the dignity and importance of our work. We need a vision of our great call and the eternal possibilities of accepting it. It is not a little, easy thing the Master asks of us. It is a call to partnership with Him in gathering into the fold those that He has given life for and weeps over as He did over Jerusalem. Possibly we have too supinely accepted the duty of attending missionary meetings, and gathering reports, and hoping that good things somehow will come to pass, when it is our duty to compel them to come to pass.

We believe that this Home Missionary movement was launched to prepare for and meet a necessity in the development of the citizenship of the country and in the growth of the Church universal. We have found God's providence opening the way for us. He has turned the hearts of the people toward us and given us the best possible proof of acceptable service in that He has multiplied our opportunities. There seems to be no other agency in our branch of the Church to do the work we are doing, and we are assured by our brethren that we are also helpful to them in their work. Money and gifts come to us as they are needed. Young people in our care are instructed to better home life and transformed in their character. God could not have put more honor on us than He has done. The period is crisal. We must not by neglect let another take our work and wear the crown so generously offered to us.

There is a picture of St. Augustine and his mother, which represents them as looking up into heaven longingly and intently listening. One is saying, "If God would only speak to us;" and the other replies, "Perhaps He is speaking to us now, and we do not hear Him." Is it possible that we do not always hear when God speaks to us? It is only by prayer and consecration that our ears are so attuned as to recognize His voice.

I have read that near Benares, in India, there is a rock shown on which the Great God in person, but invisible, was formerly believed to sit nine hours each day. The inhabitants thought that the place could never be taken by its enemies while their Great God sat among them.

Our Rock is not as their Rock. Our Great God has us under His care twenty-four hours each day, and we are not only safe, but from His presence we secure conviction, inspiration, power, so that through Him we find all things not only possible, but easy.

We need leaders. The general complaint is that we lack women who are willing to superintend organized Circles, Bands, and Jewels. I referred to this need a year ago, and it still exists. If the chief business of our generation is to so prepare the next for its duties that there may be a constant advance in the accomplishment of God's purposes in the world, we ought to be training our young people to missionary interest. May I suggest that the Conference Secretaries appoint a committee to consider this important need in our charges and recommend measures for meeting it?

We need more young people of all sorts of ability, in training, that they may grow up into strong women to fill all the places now occupied by their elders. We can have them if the women of the Auxiliaries so see the necessity for it that they are willing to do the work to secure it. It is a life insurance policy that every Auxiliary, District, and Conference Society should be swift to avail itself of, or "who follows in our train?" We may say God will raise up workers; but does He not do it by giving His blessing to our efforts? Is there any other plan for training in such service except by human agency? We must not ask or expect God to do our work. These missionary interests have not been confided to us as a mere social recreation, but as a business; not for a day or a year, but for generations to come. It is for us to say how they shall be passed on to those who come after us.

Another of our immediate needs is deeper consecration and more prayer. They labor in vain who attempt to build the house without God in the plan. He did not need our poor gifts, for all the gold is His; nor our service, for He had myriads of angels waiting to do His will. But with exceeding consideration He has planned to take us into partnership and share the rewards with us. When invited to such a union as this we can not slight the invitation on some poor pretext that we would not dare to offer a friend in a letter of regrets.

"Ye are the light of the world." When does light refuse to shine and do its revealing and life-giving offices? "Ye are the salt of the earth." When does salt refuse to impregnate the bodies it is in contact with, and impart its preservative qualities? Surely we can not refuse such a call to be workers together with Him.

PLANS AND ORGANIZATION.

It is possible that sometimes we go fastest by going more slowly. There is nothing gained by plunging ever so zealously into work without a definite goal. It is an evidence of weakness, if not of blindness, to move forward with no definite aim. What have we planned to accomplish in one year? In five years? We are not transitory

guests in our office, but women who have solemnly promised to discharge all the duties of leadership into a better future.

It goes without saying that our plans have certainly not been as comprehensive and as far-reaching as our privileges and our promises. Dr. Jefferson in his Yale lectures tells the young preachers that they should plan the work of the Church to which they are called for ten years in advance, that there may always be heights beckoning them onward; and it is not too much to say that all our Conference Boards should do the same. While we are in doubt we are not at our best, and we can not but doubt when we are passing from the light into the dark; but put a light at the end of the way, even though it may be distant, and how confidently we make a straight path toward it. Very little confidence we should have in a business proposition whose agent asked our support, and when we inquired for his ultimate plan he should say, "We have no plan; you give us your support, and we will see what we can do; but now all we are thinking of is to make a start." A start, to be sure; but whither? You have a right to know if you are going to invest. About the year 1900-01 one of our Conference Secretaries who had much to contend against, and the Conference was consequently weak in Home Missionary results, wrote me, "In ten years I mean this Conference shall be a ten-thousand-dollar Conference," and I thought her enthusiasm was an excellent incentive, but feared for her disappointment. In 1905-06—five years later, the Treasurer's report showed the receipts to be over $10,000; and in the year just closed it was $15,500. Who will say a vision and a plan is not an earnest of success?

Suppose every Conference Secretary here should plan to increase her income $500 each year for the next five years and develop a plan for doing it, and by her enthusiasm inspire her District Boards with the same ambitions, and they in turn stir up the confidence of the Auxiliaries and Circles and Juniors—do you think there would be a failure? Not at all. We can not succeed by simply drifting. What our women want is leaders; they are ready to follow and co-operate, but they want a light ahead to steer toward.

Then, too, we must have careful organization of our working forces. No man ever made a business success who, having had a vision, was not an organizer. He must know how to secure the co-operation of other men.

Perhaps the reason some of our women do not accomplish more is because no one has thought to tell them how. It is greatly better to plan work for fifty women than to attempt to do all ourselves and not do the work well because there is more than one person can do. Then, instead of twelve hours each day, we have fifty times twelve hours. Instead of one brain and one pair of hands we have fifty brains and one hundred hands. There are abundant gifts in

every community, if they are only called out. Some one says, "Stupid people are bright people not yet awakened," and he adds that "to unlock the energies of a soul and set it working for humanity is a work fit for a God." Moses was taught the lesson of division of labor 3,500 years ago.

I saw a beautiful piece of work at one of our Conference conventions recently. The time for taking pledges had come. It was a very warm afternoon, but nobody sighed and looked bored—each woman had the list of appointments for the Conference and evidently understood it, and brought it with her to the meeting in her notebook. The list was also printed on the programs. The first call was for $300, and in five minutes it was all pledged in comparatively small amounts, and some were insisting on giving more; but the Conference Secretary quietly passed on to the next call, which was for $137. This was immediately all taken, and then $100's, and then $50's and the $40's and the $25's, and so on to the foot of the list—every apportionment fully met, and several of them more than met by pledges. And then came the final test, when the Secretary called for pledges for $500 for a bond. The pledges came as fast as they could be recorded, sometimes more rapidly, till $400 was reached, when an assurance was given for the other hundred; $2,087 pledged by Auxiliaries in that hour in small amounts. Do you think that excellent thing was accomplished without plan? No, indeed. That Conference Secretary knew before she began what was going to happen, for she saw it all mapped out by faith—and works. The pledges were, some of them, but $2.50; but almost instantly I noticed there was another $2.50 to match it. These women had a light ahead which their capable leader had lighted for them, and they confidently steered straight towards it; and of course, they arrived.

Good women, may I venture to exhort you somewhat, for you know I love you and trust you? Will you begin in each Conference on a five-year plan for your work? Let your plan include the literature, for your women must be intelligent; and the Young People, for you will need them five years hence to take the place of some of us here to-day. Let it include plans for new members, plans for an increase of income each year, plans for the employment of a field worker, plans for the finding of at least one deaconess candidate each year, and providing, if need be, for her expenses. Let it include, above all, plans for the deepening of the spiritual life of the women of your Conference, for it is consecration of spirit that gives value to all religious work. Remember that two mites with God's blessing is more than two shekels without it.

Thus you will begin to rear a temple to the Master, to the building of which you purpose to give half a decennium. What an inspiring vision! For I seem to see every woman here so intent to

do her best that she is saying to herself, "My temple shall lack no beauty, no symmetry which thought and prayer can bestow." God bless you, dear women, in this high resolve, and prosper you in your undertakings, as you march in solid phalanx towards the noon of this great organization! We shall not all be here to see your triumph, but I think the Master will let those of us who have been called away take a little time from other duties to return and, though unseen, to rejoice with you.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. of Auxiliaries...	STATISTICAL REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP.					Whole No. Life Members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons..	Woman's Home Missions	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Reading Circles					
Alabama	3	28	60							12	10
Arizona	7	184	27							55	
Arkansas	5	98								14	
Atlanta	18	170	46								
Austin	4	106				35				31	10
Baltimore	65	2168	947	167	314	313				806	1115
Black Hills Mission	5	85		20	202					16	
Blue Ridge	3	50		336	300						
California	62	1838	135	20	202					545	282
Central Alabama	1	20									
Central Illinois	49	1669	409	336	300	32				491	230
Central Missouri	9	181									
Central New York	98	3950	774	267	780					1012	616
Central Ohio	99	3615	887	254	251	213				965	388
Central Pennsylvania	56	1779	688	282	704	156				522	626
Central Swedish	12	278									
Central Tennessee	2	32									
Cincinnati	149	2583	643	225	1452	118				887	341
Colorado	51	1901	420	60	477	263				461	168
Columbia River	32	803	145	53	209	58				211	125
Dakota	10	170									
Delaware	15	241	70							7	5
Des Moines	84	2842	669	125	178					1001	581
Detroit	125	4450	1260	96	1037					1544	1064
East Maine	10	200									
East Ohio	80	2882	792	340	700	40				831	234
East Oklahoma	1	18									
East Swedish	1	16									
East Tennessee	9	101									
Erie	87	3037	805	201	404					940	1160
Florida	5	37									
Genesee	85	2848	643	156	780	20				835	963
Georgia	1	9									
Gulf Mission	4	59									
Holston	23	462	115							142	75
Idaho	1	62	55			25				13	
Illinois	71	2565	825	99	137	69				697	121
Indiana	57	2694	681	340	1246	151				679	240

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		Auxiliaries.	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Reading Circles					
Iowa	42	1702	361	102	281	.....	.....	.....	.....	702	274
Kansas	43	1352	160	120	285	.....	.....	.....	.....	135	25
Kentucky	11	317	67	10	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	40
Lexington	46	368	60	48	55	6	.....	.....	.....	84	47
Lincoln	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock	35	147	119	84	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisiana	30	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....
Maine	47	805	146	.....	147	.....	.....	.....	.....	160	95
Michigan	87	2524	418	194	639	10	.....	.....	.....	806	294
Minnesota	24	640	551	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	237	222
Mississippi	10	122	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Missouri	4	80	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	25	.....
Montana	7	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	40
Nebraska	45	1533	390	55	500	18	.....	.....	.....	397	224
Nevada Mission	1	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....
Newark	55	2423	418	70	164	73	.....	.....	.....	773	504
New England	66	2034	579	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	700	461
New England Southern	36	1077	109	47	107	.....	.....	.....	.....	340	373
New Hampshire	35	665	221	44	299	.....	.....	.....	.....	230	174
New Jersey	56	2757	625	50	550	.....	.....	.....	.....	239	42
New Mexico—(English)	3	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Mexico—(Spanish)	6	185	.....	.....	177	177	.....	.....	.....	83	10
New York	48	1722	341	70	103	3	.....	.....	.....	423	121
New York East	43	2227	689	152	149	273	.....	.....	.....	645	399
North Carolina	8	90	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Dakota	13	282	157	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	50
North Indiana	73	2895	1030	.....	.....	336	.....	.....	.....	951	572
North Montana	3	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	11
North Nebraska	30	775	57	20	198	40	.....	.....	.....	261	99
North Ohio	60	2141	460	130	417	.....	.....	.....	.....	633	208
Northern Minnesota	36	953	502	123	255	.....	.....	.....	.....	348	336
Northern New York	96	2882	681	115	534	.....	.....	.....	.....	858	642
Northwest Indiana	49	1744	386	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	678	337
Northwest Iowa	76	2044	290	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	794	260
Northwest Kansas	34	759	215	175	300	547	.....	.....	.....	315	205
Northwest Nebraska	3	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	3
Ohio	54	2555	560	276	241	64	.....	.....	.....	779	409
Oklahoma	30	756	113	91	143	198	.....	.....	.....	196	87

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—Continued.

CONFERENCES.	No. of Auxiliaries.	STATISTICAL REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP.					Whole No. Life Members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons	Woman's Home Missions	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries	Circles	Home Guards	Jewels	Reading Circles					
Oregon	41	1118	246	61	154	273	.....	.....	.....	281	78
Philadelphia	61	3000	1169	374	196	703	.....	.....	.....	603	338
Pittsburgh	79	3658	942	151	589	6	.....	.....	.....	1135	606
Porto Rico Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Puget Sound	36	1190	340	83	100	7	.....	.....	.....	408	436
Rock River	120	3960	850	416	1703	265	.....	.....	.....	1282	464
Savannah	3	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. John's River	4	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Louis	26	1000	409	53	38	185	.....	.....	.....	204	76
South Carolina	6	216	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	.....	18	4
South Florida Mission	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Kansas	19	743	303	28	99	49	.....	.....	.....	206	90
Southern California	124	4390	1019	.....	1600	71	.....	.....	.....	1371	715
Southern Illinois	36	1073	292	.....	.....	66	.....	.....	.....	397	194
Southwest Kansas	50	1654	659	98	630	243	.....	.....	.....	745	440
Texas	70	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tennessee	3	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy	74	2135	922	191	316	32	.....	.....	.....	543	292
Upper Iowa	74	2445	607	214	235	35	.....	.....	.....	773	513
Upper Mississippi	23	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	.....
Utah Mission	7	124	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vermont	15	346	377	192	116	.....	.....	.....	.....	207	150
Washington	18	350	235	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	51	.....
West Nebraska	8	260	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Texas	37	314	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	5
West Virginia	30	917	76	53	70	70	.....	.....	.....	192	30
West Wisconsin	27	592	154	57	147	3	.....	.....	.....	218	125
Wilmington	31	1218	289	30	340	.....	.....	.....	.....	287	97
Wisconsin	37	863	50	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	225	50
Wyoming	77	2499	.....	183	1261	.....	.....	.....	.....	619	199
Wyoming Mission	3	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	3799	119130	30076	7154	21983	6322	.....	.....	.....	34242	19622
Not reported by Conf. Secretaries	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2928	3255
Totals	.....	.....	30128	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37170	22877

Annual Report of the Treasurer.

Mrs. George H. Thompson.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

Year Ended July 31, 1911.

		Cash.	Vouchers.	Total.
General Fund:				
Conference receipts	$123,629 83			
"Other sources"	1,711 04			
Miscellaneous	1,840 64			
Total		$127,181 51	$16,329 99	$143,511 50
Building Improvement		4,382 47		4,382 47
Student Aid—				
Conference receipts		57,157 76	17,523 38	74,681 14
Special Fund—				
Conference receipts	$42,571 23			
"Other sources"	1,036 62	43,607 85	174,235 94	217,843 79
Total Conf. and "Other Receipts"		$232,329 59	$208,089 31	$440,418 90
Other Income:				
Annuities	$4,963 66			
Bequests	30,743 15			
Endowments	643 36	36,350 17		36,350 17
Monthly Publication		3,500 00		3,500 00
Total Income Receipts		$272,179 76	$208,089 31	$480,269 07
Vouchers from Deaconess Homes			137,238 43	137,238 43
			$345,327 74	$617,507 50
Other Receipts—Not Income—				
Investments returned	$11,320 92			
Notes Payable	25,550 25	36,871 17		36,871 17
		$309,050 93		
Balance, August 1, 1910		5,430 09		5,430 09
Total Income and other Receipts		$314,481 02	$345,327 74	
Value of Supplies—				83,710 26
				$743,519 02

STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENT.

YEAR ENDED JULY 31, 1911.

		Cash.	Vouchers.	Total.
ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION—				
Officers' Salaries	$1,916 68			
General Superintendent Deaconess Work, Salaries, Expenses	1,542 91			
Office Salaries	9,255 73			
Office expenses	3,296 85	$16,012 17		
Annual Meeting	$2,154 62			
Bureau Secretaries' expenses	2,038 78			
Organizers' Salaries and Expenses	7,567 85			
Deaconess Travel	1,734 02	13,495 27		
Insurance	$3,869 50			
Printing	3,812 83			
Legal Expenses	574 10			
Taxes	1,198 59			
Miscellaneous	2,255 31	11,710 33		
Interest on Notes Payable	$2,779 28			
Interest on Annuities	4,465 94			
Interest on Endowments	718 36	7,963 58		
Total Administration, etc		$49,181 35		$49,181 35
EXPENSES OF HOMES, SCHOOLS, ETC.—				
Teachers' salaries	$57,174 10			
Teachers' travel	6,371 77			
General	53,530 77		$16,329 99	
	$117,076 64			
STUDENT AID	$47,786 22		17,523 38	
SPECIAL	54,123 4		174,235 94	
Oregon People	1,000 00			
Total for carrying on work		219,986 33	$208,089 31	428,075 64
Total expenses		$269,167 68	$208,089 31	$177,256 99
OTHER DISBURSEMENTS—				
Refund Annis Bequest	$2,000 00			
Refund Campbell Bequest	1,000 00			
Miscellaneous	168 67			
	$3,168 67			
Investments	17,322 00			
Notes Paid	23,150 25	43,640 92		43,640 91
Total Disbursements		$312,808 60	$208,089 31	$520,897 91
BALANCE AT JULY 31, 1911		1,672 42		1,672 42
		$314,481 02	$208,089 31	$522,570 33
Deaconess Home vouchers			137,238 43	137,238 43
			$345,327 74	$659,808 76
Value of supplies				83,710 26
				$743,519 02

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

AT JULY 31, 1911.

Assets:		
Cash		$1,672 42
Investments	$66,565 34	
"Deaconess Home" (nothing in evidence)	14,300 00	80,865 34
Accounts Receivable:		
Adaline Smith Home (for Interest Advanced)	$651,82	
McCleskey Home, Boaz, Alabama	1,961 33	
Boylan Home	4,000 00	6,613 15
Buildings and Grounds (Estimated)		
Southern Work	$292,750 00	
Utah	51,600 00	
New Mexico and Oklahoma	30,000 00	
Alaska and Indian	25,000 00	
Pacific Coast and Honolulu	60,000 00	
Porto Rico	27,700 00	
Children's Home	100,000 00	
City Missions	235,500 00	
	$822,550 00	
Training Schools, Homes, Hospitals, etc.	1,108,830 38	
Total Assets		1,931,380 38
		$2,020,531 29
Liabilities:		
Notes Payable		$46,500 00
Debt on Training Schools, Homes, etc.		92,648 00
Accounts Payable:		
Peck Home	$17,800 11	
Mothers' Jewels Home (Special)	10,249 82	
Alger Loan Account	545 00	
Community Schools (Clark Bequest)	589 15	
Colored Deaconess Home (Nashville)	1,436 48	
Harrisburg Taxes (Sale of Property)	1,285 28	
Meridian, Miss., Account	140 00	
		32,045 84
Due Bureau Secretaries:		
Kent	$100 00	
Bennett	250 00	
Hull Street Medical Mission	50 00	
		400 00
Endowments:		
Uninvested	$17,845 60	
Invested	47,767 81	
Deaconess Homes	14,300 00	
		79,913 41
Annuities		121,820 33
Buildings, Grounds and Equipment Acc't		1,645,928 59
Total Liabilities		$2,019,256 17
Surplus		1,275 12
		$2,020,531 29

GUY H. KENNEDY
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
CINCINNATI INDIANAPOLIS

CINCINNATI, September 12, 1911.

To the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

MESDAMES: In accordance with your instructions, we examined the receipts and disbursements as shown by the books of the Treasurer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society for the year ended July 31, 1911, and we beg to report as follows:

Examination has been made in detail of all receipts and disbursements of the Society for the period under review, and the statements as submitted are in accordance with the books of the Treasurer, all disbursements being represented by properly approved vouchers.

Bank balance was found correct and securities on hand as represented.

We respectfully recommend that a detailed inventory of all real estate, including schools, homes, hospitals, and equipment be furnished for the files of the Treasurer's office. Respectfully submitted,

GUY H. KENNEDY.

BEQUESTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

Mrs. Rhoda F. Kidder, Northfield, Vt., Vermont Conference...	$60 94
Mrs. R. G. Shumway, Polo, Ill., Rock River Conference.....	11,000 00
Harriet A. Annis, York, Pa., Central Pennsylvania Conference	2,867 67
Chas. W. Hurd, Grand Rapids, Mich., Michigan Conference....	729 08
Mrs. Helen A. Foster, Merrill, Wis., Wisconsin Conference...	480 00
Mrs. Harriet B. Campbell, Portland, Ore., Oregon Conference.	1,000 00
Miss Rosetta Holycross, North Lewisburg, Ohio, Central Ohio Conference	100 00
Bradley Estate, Utica, N. Y., North New York Conference.....	222 71
A. H. Chipman, Petoski, Mich., Michigan Conference.....	75 00
Mrs. Harriet D. Talmage, Brooklyn, N. Y., New York East Conference	306 89
Mrs. Isaac Johnston, Portage, Wis., Detroit Conference.....	100 00
Wm. G. Browning, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., New York Conference	952 50
Mrs. Sarah Funk, Griggsville, Ill., Illinois Conference.....	468 81
Mrs. Phoebe Steel, Ann Arbor, Mich., Central German Conf...	477 00
Jerusha Strong, Schenectady, N. Y., Troy Conference.....	4,500 00
Benjamine Green, Newark, Ohio, Ohio Conference.....	1,280 37
Mrs. Emma Merritt, Middletown, Del., Delaware Conference..	100 00
Anna Caroline Putnam, Syracuse, N. Y., Cent. New York Con.	760 27
Mrs. Sidney Lundey, Glenn Elder, Kan., Northwest Kansas Conference	2,000 00
Miss Annetta Day, Mechanicsburg, Pa., Central Pennsylvania Conference	3,261 91
	$30,743 15

ANNUITIES RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

Mrs. J. W. Halliday, Burlington, Iowa	$300 00
Sarah J. Moses, Old Orchard, Me.	588 66
Miss Mary E. Van Winkle, Jacksonville, Ill	500 00
Mrs. S. A. Hulbett, Troy, N. Y	200 00
S. E. Rolison, Wampun, Wis	1,000 00
Mrs. Jane Fatheringham, Old Orchard, Me	75 00
Mrs. Hannah Jane Bell, Frazeysburg, Ohio	300 00
Mrs. Lizzie Copp, Richwood, Ohio	1,000 00
Mrs. Sarah J. Sarvay, Waterloo, Iowa	1,000 00
	$4,963 66

ENDOWMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

M. J. Sackett, Lowville, N. Y	$500 00
Interest added to Mather Fund	143 36

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.—Year of 1910-1911.

Conferences.	General Fund.		Building and Improvement.	Student Aid.		Special Fund.		Totals		Grand Total.	Bequests.
	Cash.	Vouchers.		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.		
Arizona	$207 60	.....	$45 00	$70 00	$123 70	$7 50	$358 16	$330 10	$481 86	$811 96	.....
Arkansas	51 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	66 25	.....	66 25	.....
Alabama	24 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	20 00	69 50	20 00	89 50	.....
Atlanta	122 30	$2 00	.....	.....	33 00	10 00	103 40	132 30	138 40	270 70	.....
Austin	67 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 63	.....	79 60	.....	79 60	.....
Blue Ridge	49 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 00	.....	49 00	.....
Baltimore	2,740 80	7 90	44 80	1,214 66	90 00	130 65	10,535 86	4,130 91	10,633 76	14,764 67	.....
Black Hills	119 81	87 19	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	122 31	87 19	209 50	.....
California	1,045 21	524 99	.....	238 50	2,204 91	172 01	2,193 76	1,455 75	4,923 66	6,379 41	.....
Central Alabama	18 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 04	.....	18 04	.....
Central Illinois	2,196 51	234 59	5 00	859 47	92 11	882 82	.....	3,943 80	326 70	4,270 50	.....
Central Missouri	131 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	131 00	.....	131 00	.....
Central New York	3,925 48	135 83	14 80	1,610 89	200 00	1,225 58	141 85	6,776 75	477 68	7,254 43	$760 27
Central Ohio	3,768 14	14 50	42 17	988 70	37 00	2,402 39	98 07	7,201 40	149 57	7,350 97	100 00
Central Pennsylvania	2,290 66	36 66	.....	1,054 04	.....	170 65	1,512 84	3,515 35	1,549 50	5,064 85	6,129 58
Central Swedish	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106 45	.....	106 45	106 45	.....
Central Tennessee	32 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00	.....	32 00	.....
Central German	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	477 00
Cincinnati	2,505 29	223 82	.....	1,405 45	.....	3,246 88	156 83	7,157 62	380 65	7,538 27	.....
Colorado	321 61	941 13	.....	535 34	.....	.....	3,930 60	856 95	4,871 73	5,728 68	.....
Columbia River*	679 45	38 51	.....	300 00	.....	99 58	.....	1,079 03	.....	1,079 03	.....
Delaware†	194 20	.....	.....	33 66	.....	13 75	.....	241 61	.....	241 61	100 00
Dakota	167 17	126 03	.....	214 38	.....	.....	.....	381 55	126 03	507 58	.....
Des Moines‡	2,532 01	321 33	.....	1,616 09	25 42	1,486 47	2,300 17	5,634 57	2,664 10	8,298 67	.....
Detroit	4,210 29	2,668 59	341 39	3,166 51	154 00	1,105 97	10,758 22	8,824 16	13,580 81	22,404 97	100 00
East Maine	200 56	4 36	.....	23 00	.....	6 00	7 00	229 00	11 36	240 36	.....
East Okla. Mission	34 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 00	.....	34 00	.....
East Swedish	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	16 00	.....	16 00	.....
East Tennessee	101 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	101 60	.....	101 60	.....
East Ohio	4,856 48	526 68	.....	2,380 00	60 00	2,045 00	11,137 64	9,281 48	11,724 32	21,005 80	.....

* Voucher for $38.57 received too late to be included. † Voucher for $104.22 received too late to be included. ‡ Voucher for $3,515.91 received too late to be included.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.—Year of 1910-1911.

Conferences.	General Fund.		Building and Improvement.	Student Aid.		Special Fund.		Totals.		Grand Total.	Bequests
	Cash.	Vouchers.		Cash	Vouchers.	Cash	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.		
Erie	$4,005 14	$70 10	$805 25	$1,263 94	$135 00	$1,392 01	$330 51	$7,466 34	$535 61	$8,001 95	.....
Florida	15 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 78	.....	37 98	.....	37 98	.....
Genesee	3,205 76	283 95	164 39	859 19	20 75	2,192 22	1,082 12	6,421 56	1,386 82	7,808 38	.....
Gulf	59 02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 00	59 02	27 00	86 02	.....
Georgia	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	.....	9 00	.....
Holston	599 56	.....	10 35	62 00	30 00	65 00	131 50	736 91	161 50	898 41	.....
Idaho*	155 50	171 45	.....	157 00	.....	3 00	15 00	315 50	186 45	501 95	.....
Illinois	2,657 51	53 06	57 05	1,032 00	99 54	381 89	5,300 43	4,128 45	5,453 03	9,581 48	$468 81
Indiana	2,321 04	539 42	275 85	1,442 30	.....	573 25	1,395 42	4,612 44	1,934 84	6,547 28	.....
Iowa	2,261 53	.....	152 88	1,258 00	.....	259 98	30 00	3,932 39	30 00	3,962 39	.....
Kansas	1,352 66	37 85	22 50	602 68	289 15	479 55	403 69	2,457 39	730 69	3,188 08	.....
Kentucky	325 80	32 87	.....	40 00	.....	58 04	.....	423 84	32 87	456 71	.....
Lexington	481 97	208 49	8 75	25 91	.....	33 48	262 22	550 11	470 71	1,020 82	.....
Little Rock	88 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	113 25	118 70	113 25	232 25	.....
Lincoln	11 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 40	.....	11 40	.....
Louisiana	23 00	30 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	165 00	23 00	195 95	218 95	.....
Maine	715 98	92 59	.....	188 14	1 00	.....	2,278 83	904 12	2,278 83	3,182 95	.....
Michigan	3,832 99	99 39	315 00	821 00	.....	1,142 89	160 00	6,111 88	259 39	6,371 27	804 08
Minnesota	479 57	510 00	.....	307 35	.....	70 50	5,785 60	857 42	6,295 60	7,153 02	.....
Mississippi	122 80	69 05	.....	1 50	.....	5 00	103 31	129 30	172 36	301 66	.....
Missouri	81 20	.....	.....	25 00	.....	49 37	.....	155 57	.....	155 57	.....
Montana	208 00	.....	.....	85 15	.....	25 00	.....	318 15	.....	318 15	.....
Nebraska	1,393 98	138 20	11 35	1,050 40	12 50	85 00	395 66	2,540 73	546 36	3,087 09	.....
Newark	2,805 97	10 00	.....	1,174 50	360 03	1,175 00	3,550 83	5,155 47	3,920 86	9,076 33	.....
New England	2,267 04	354 51	.....	650 50	.....	295 00	5,035 96	3,212 54	5,390 47	8,603 01	.....
New England Southern	1,223 49	41 30	18 73	791 15	.....	420 45	367 31	2,453 82	408 61	2,862 43	.....
New Hampshire	782 17	.....	55 00	324 95	50 00	321 63	116 00	1,483 75	166 00	1,649 75	.....
New Jersey	2,880 73	5 00	.....	1,120 66	10 00	1,334 68	85 55	5,346 07	100 55	5,446 62	.....
New Mexico English	64 54	4 13	.....	42 00	9 32	.....	.....	106 54	13 45	119 99	.....
New Mexico Spanish	41 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 15	.....	41 15	.....
New York	1,605 05	.....	15 00	2,116 50	50 00	875 50	431 80	4,612 05	481 80	5,093 85	952 50

* Voucher for $6 received too late to be included.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.—Year of 1910-1911.

Conferences.	General Fund.		Building and Improvement	Student Aid.		Special Fund.		Totals.		Grand Total.	Bequests.
	Cash.	Vouchers.		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.		
New York East	$2,532 86	.....	$50 00	$1,859 55	$150 00	$712 00	$7,120 78	$5,154 41	$7,270 78	$12,425 19	$306 89
North Carolina	90 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	100 00	110 85	100 00	210 85	.....
North Dakota	356 43	$43 88	11 90	538 75	.....	31 38	.....	938 46	43 88	982 34	.....
North Indiana	3,715 92	453 43	604 85	2,022 26	.....	1,637 20	1,465 53	7,980 23	1,918 96	9,899 19	.....
North Montana	54 80	2 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54 80	2 55	57 35	.....
North Nebraska	1,059 84	12 05	.....	365 00	.....	385 55	132 86	1,810 39	144 91	1,955 30	.....
North Ohio	2,175 64	229 26	2 00	564 25	.....	1,633 86	613 37	4,375 75	842 63	5,218 38	.....
Northern Minnesota	1,211 25	877 86	29 00	1,264 99	25 00	573 12	2,034 21	3,078 36	2,937 07	6,015 43	.....
Northern New York	3,321 17	378 00	30 00	1,168 55	224 91	875 94	4,484 92	5,395 66	5,087 83	10,483 49	222 71
Northwest Indiana	2,059 90	302 91	.....	1,273 04	45 50	1,182 19	366 89	4,515 13	715 30	5,230 43	.....
Northwest Iowa	2,180 47	.....	253 00	852 00	98 00	570 00	2,018 82	3,855 47	2,116 82	5,972 29	.....
Northwest Nebraska	2 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....	2 75	.....
Northwest Kansas	632 85	159 68	.....	341 92	71 37	245 23	576 40	1,220 00	807 45	2,027 45	2,000 00
Ohio	2,211 87	.....	160 12	915 00	.....	1,533 46	.....	4,820 45	.....	4,820 45	1,280 37
Oklahoma	464 18	65 96	20 00	428 35	.....	316 29	.....	1,228 82	65 96	1,294 78	.....
Oklahoma Mission	10 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 25	.....	10 25	.....
Oregon	614 90	1,262 82	.....	431 13	5 40	15 00	82 95	1,061 03	1,351 17	2,412 20	1,000 00
Philadelphia	1,666 91	.....	.....	1,640 25	5 00	831 15	11,336 52	4,138 31	11,341 52	15,479 83	.....
Pittsburgh	3,693 17	430 72	10 00	411 18	.....	1,317 35	22,523 25	5,431 70	22,953 97	28,385 67	.....
Puget Sound	1,130 98	167 15	25 95	924 84	.....	62 99	2,491 97	2,144 76	2,659 12	4,803 88	.....
Rock River	3,519 46	713 53	3 00	1,543 69	1,897 95	175 00	7,623 98	5,241 15	10,235 46	15,476 61	11,000 00
Savannah	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	.....	35 00	.....
St. John's River	50 60	50	.....	.....	.....	95 47	6 00	146 07	6 50	152 57	.....
St. Louis	964 48	25 00	17 57	1,089 74	20 00	878 00	1,409 33	2,949 79	1,434 33	4,384 12	.....
South Carolina	127 49	.....	.....	.....	21 30	25 00	10 00	152 49	31 30	183 79	.....
South Dokota	3 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	8 00	.....
South Florida Mission	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	.....	11 00	.....
South Kansas	783 78	15 00	104 84	740 87	47 70	95 25	125 00	1,724 74	187 70	1,912 44	.....
Southern California	3,585 03	1,046 72	.....	669 46	9,968 72	227 50	28,119 64	4,481 99	39,135 08	43,617 07	.....
Southern Illinois	1,459 50	288 76	59 00	560 59	15 00	429 00	463 75	2,508 09	767 51	3,275 60	.....
Southwest Kansas	1,753 13	281 35	53 00	1,279 71	74 25	299 75	2,822 78	3,385 59	3,178 38	6,563 97	.....

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.—Year of 1910-1911.

Conferences.	General Fund.		Building and Improvement.	Student Aid.		Special Fund.		Totals.		Grand Total.	Bequests
	Cash.	Vouchers.		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.		
Tennessee	$35 25	$3 25	.....	.....	.....	$3 50	.....	$38 75	$3 25	$42 00	.....
Texas	218 00	.....	.....	$75 00	.....	71 00	$125 00	364 00	125 00	489 00	.....
Troy	2,669 12	73 35	$9 50	841 52	$402 00	1,295 57	2,126 43	4,815 71	2,601 78	7,417 49	$4,500 00
Upper Iowa	3,475 99	275 57	34 65	839 02	175 50	1,005 63	574 81	5,355 29	1,025 82	5,381 11	.....
Utah Mission	124 60	.....	.....	42 23	.....	11 00	335 70	177 83	335 70	513 53	.....
Upper Mississippi*	45 05	124 80	.....	25 00	11 05	55 00	215 00	125 05	350 85	475 90	.....
Vermont	346 56	56 38	.....	200 00	50 00	135 00	1,491 41	681 56	1,597 79	2,279 35	60 94
Washington	400 00	126 21	.....	133 31	.....	51 00	.....	584 31	126 21	710 52	.....
West Nebraska	260 53	12 75	.....	.....	80 00	1 00	67 29	261 53	160 04	421 57	.....
West Texas	196 80	.....	.....	50 00	42 30	154 75	.....	401 55	42 30	443 85	.....
West Virginia	814 01	.....	1 25	545 21	.....	90 00	166 95	1,450 47	166 95	1,617 42	.....
West Wisconsin†	544 57	293 00	102 40	230 17	.....	185 80	174 24	1,062 94	467 24	1,530 18	.....
Wilmington	954 82	.....	97 00	370 00	5 00	228 17	1,596 97	1,649 99	1,601 97	3,251 96	.....
Wisconsin‡	825 98	.....	81 18	479 00	.....	158 00	.....	1,544 16	.....	1,544 16	480 00
Wyoming	2,519 06	.....	217 00	1,268 07	.....	580 00	615 94	4,584 13	615 94	5,200 07	.....
Wyoming Mission	43 65	.....	.....	14 10	.....	.....	.....	57 75	.....	57 75	.....
Other Sources	1,711 04	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,036 62	.....	2,534 06	.....	.....	.....
Totals	$125,340 87	16,329 99	$4,382 47	$57,157 76	17,523 38	$43,607 85	173,684 44	$230,488 95	208,089 31	$435,830 60	$3,743 15
Interest from Investm'ts	1,840 64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,840 64	.....	.....	.....
Matured notes paid	11,320 92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,320 92	.....	.....	.....
Bequests	30,743 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30,743 15	.....	.....	.....
Annuities	4,963 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,963 66	.....	.....	.....
Endowments	643 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	643 36	.....	.....	.....
Money borrowed	20,050 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,500 00	.....	25,550 25	.....	.....	.....
Monthly Publications	3,500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,500 00	.....	.....	.....
Cash balance Aug. 1, 1910	5,430 09	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,430 09	.....	.....	.....
Total receipts	$203,832 94	16,329 99	$4,382 47	$57,157 76	17,523 38	$49,107 85	174,235 94	$314,481 02	208,089 31	$522,570 33	$3,743 15

Grand Total—Cash and Vouchers **$497,020 08**
Money borrowed 25,550 25

*Voucher for $4 received too late to be included. †Voucher for $25 received too late to be included. ‡Voucher for $308.05 received too late to be included.

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR 1910-1911.

	Salary.		Travel.	Incidentals.		Student Aid.		Special.		Total.	
	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher
Haven Home	$2,040 00		$306 65			$1,105 48		$283 66		$3,735 79	
Speedwell	520 00			$40 00		15 00				575 00	
Thayer Home	2,142 00		160 00			1,457 47		2,484 67		6,244 14	
Boylan Home	2,800 00		627 51			1,159 02		6,135 50		10,722 03	
Brewster	660 00		64 75					322 00		1,046 75	
Emerson Home	1,160 00		273 05			446 00				1,879 05	
Allen Home	1,940 00		278 35	450 00		780 55		1,302 33		4,751 23	
Browning Home	2,160 00		347 20			556 50		1,087 95		4,151 65	
Kent Home	600 00		405 24	200 00		700 16		2,478 70		4,384 10	
New Jersey Home	637 50		8 70	200 00		335 57		10 00		1,191 77	
Ritter Home	845 00		47 13			1,357 00		2,014 80		4,263 93	
Bennett Home	720 00		75 65			1,121 42		1 008 17		2,925 24	
Bennett Academy	1,967 50		239 10							2,206 60	
Dickson Hall	315 00									315 00	
E. L. Rust Home	1,080 00		91 45			662 98		807 00		2,641 43	
Adeline Smith Home	640 00			350 00		1,136 46		413 13		2,539 59	
Italian Work in New Orleans	360 00		30 25					52 41		442 66	
Peck Home	640 00		83 40	280 00		55 41		1,126 00		2,184 81	
King Home	1,240 00		318 40			1,066 05		448 86		3,073 31	
Eliza Dee Home	640 00		156 60			269 00		576 55		1,642 15	
El Paso, Texas								257 15		257 15	
Utah			372 25					350 00		722 25	
Elsinore	770 00			48 64						818 64	
Moroni	840 00			43 95						883 95	
Logan	340 00							300 00		640 00	
Provo	355 00			3 60						358 60	
Mt. Pleasant	300 00			6 00						306 00	
Spring City	813 75			57 48						871 23	
Ephraim	80 00									80 00	
Ogden	22 17									22 17	
Salt Lake City	520 00			612 00						1,132 00	
Harwood Home	2,100 00		92 00	100 00		1,740 00		297 78		4,329 78	

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR 1910-1911—Continued.

	Salary.		Travel.	Incidentals.		Student Aid.		Special.		Total.	
	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher
Tucson, Ariz.	$1,770 00		$56 25	$150 00		$1,309 75		$3,941 31		$7,227 31	
Porto Rico—											
McKinley Day School	1,100 00					1,200 00				2,300 00	
Geo. O. Robinson Orphanage	2,310 00		746 88	1,475 00		2,100 00		57 80		6,689 68	
Vieques	500 00					60 00		125 00		685 00	
Ponce	500 00					293 00				793 00	
Hawaii				1,270 00		1,425 91		393 52		3,089 43	
Japanese, San Francisco				1,800 00		1 215 36		764 34		3,779 70	
Japanese, So. California				320 00						320 00	
Chinese, San Francisco				2400 00		1,629 27		2,621 44		6,650 71	
Chinese, So. California				300 00						300 00	
Frances DePauw				2100 00		1,044 29		357 56		3,501 85	
Cedartown, Ga.	120 00							615 05		735 05	
McCleskey Home	1,597 50		205 53			4,452 31		610 60		6,865 94	
Sayers, Ala.	200 00									200 00	
Mitchell Home	1,215 00		17 50			3,369 41		1,347 14		5,549 05	
Community Schools	345 00									345 00	
Navajo Mission	2400 00		273 05	150 00		1,526 98		5,097 80		9,447 83	
Stickney Home	869 50			216 00		501 57				1,587 07	
Greenville Mission	600 00							100 00		700 00	
Ukiah								50 00		50 00	
Poncas	480 00			80 00						560 00	
Yumas	789 20									789 20	
Pottawattomies	750 00			125 00						875 00	
Jesse Lee Home	1,879 98		1,094 88			2,050 00		512 50		5,537 36	
Sinuk Mission	1,240 00			200 00		1,364 70		1,849 88		4,654 58	
New York Immigrant				4,420 00						4,420 00	
Boston Immigrant				1,776 00				2,072 87		3,848 87	
Hull Street Med. Mission				1,443 50						1,443 50	
Seattle Immigrant								1,475 38		1,475 38	
Philadelphia Immigrant				180 00				29 31		209 31	
E. A. Bradley Home				1,000 00				80 00		1,080 00	

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR 1910-1911—Continued.

	Salary.		Travel.	Incidentals.		Student Aid.		Special.		Total.	
	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher
Mothers' Jewels Home	$2,000 00	.....	.....	$1,200 00	.....	$1,655 76	.....	$919 99	.....	$5,775 75	.....
Watts De Peyster Home	.....	.....	.....	3,600 00	.....	2,614 70	.....	1,040 85	.....	7,255 55	.....
Glenn Home	.....	.....	.....	2,544 39	.....	.....	.....	53 00	.....	2,597 39	.....
Marcy Home	.....	.....	.....	2,400 00	.....	.....	.....	1,838 57	.....	4,238 57	.....
Lucy Webb Hayes School	4,240 00	.....	.....	5,760 00	.....	3,658 38	.....	4,120 25	.....	17,778 63	.....
Fisk Training-school	.....	.....	.....	4,500 00	.....	1,364 90	.....	728 02	.....	,592 92	.....
Susannah Wesley (Chicago)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 38	.....	53 38	.....
San Francisco Train'g-school	2,000 00	.....	.....	1,600 00	.....	293 00	.....	.....	.....	3,893 00	.....
Beulah Home	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	207 00	.....	207 00	.....
Cunningham Orphanage	.....	.....	.....	498 00	.....	692 86	.....	727 50	.....	1,918 36	.....
Bancroft Rest Home	1,020 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	576 75	.....	1,596 75	.....
Thompson Rest Home	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....
Deaconess Homes	.....	.....	.....	5,250 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,250 59	.....
McCrum Slavonic Tr. School	.....	.....	.....	535 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 10	.....
Utica Station Mission	.....	.....	.....	3,007 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,007 00	.....
Barre Station	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....
Frontier	.....	.....	.....	770 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	770 52	.....
Totals	$57,174 10	.....	6,371 77	$53,530 77	16,329 99	$47,786 22	17,523 38	$54,123 47	174,235 94	218,986 33	.....

EXPENDITURES.—Year 1910-1911.

	Salary.	General.		Total.	
		Cash.	Vouchers.	Cash.	Vouchers.
Administration—					
Secretaries:					
Bureau		$2,038 78			
Corresponding	$916 68				
Recording	500 00	10 00			
Field	1,000 00	532 91			
Treasurer	500 00				
Total, Secretaries	$2,916 68	$2,581 69		$5,498 37	
Deaconess Bureau		1,734 02			
Organizers	7,567 85				
Printing		3,812 83			
Insurance		3,869 50			
Annual Meeting		2,154 62			
Total, Miscellaneous				$19,138 82	
Offices:					
Boston	$500 00	125 04			
Chicago	540 00	480 00			
Cincinnati	1,175 69	667 00			
Delaware	600 00	200 00			
Detroit	1,060 00	604 36			
New York	2,600 04	1,000 45			
San Francisco		120 00			
Publishing	2,000 00				
Treasurer	780 00	100 00			
Total, Offices	$9,255 73	$3,296 85		$12,552 58	
Oregon Mission*		2,000 00		2,000 00	
Central Pennsylvania,†		2,000 00		2,000 00	
Permanent Deaconess Fund		390 50		390 50	
Miscellaneous		3,806 17		3,806 17	
Interest on Notes		2,779 28		2,779 28	
Interest on Annuities		4,465 94		4,465 94	
Interest on Endowments		718 36		718 36	
Invested		17,322 00		17,322 00	
Notes Paid		23,150 25		23,150 25	
Totals	$19,740 26	$74,082 01		$93,822 27	

* App.—$1,000 C. Bequest. † Annis Bequest.

Anniversary Address.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff.

The power of vision in the use of the natural eye is one of the most marvelous faculties which has been bestowed upon man. With it we look upon God's creation and revelations of the mystic beauty of sea and sky, the grandeur of the mountains, the verdure of the valleys, the glories of God's universe are revealed to us. But more wonderful than this physical vision is the spiritual vision which comes to the human soul, as with the eye of faith he beholds, not the creation of the material world, but the Creator and the things which are spiritual and eternal. In this vision he learns, as far as the finite mind may comprehend it, the value of the human soul and his relation to an eternal God.

This was the spiritual insight which gave to the prophets of old the power to comprehend visions which God gave to them of conditions and needs of service and, if obedient, of results. To Nehemiah, cupbearer to the king in a foreign court, was revealed the conditions existing in his own beloved Jerusalem, "the walls of which had been broken down and the gates burned." But more serious than this was the revelation that his own people, the Jews who remained of the captivity, "were in great affliction and reproach." The need, the call to service, the result, if obedient, must have been revealed to him as he waited day and night before God until his countenance was so changed that the heathen king inquired what troubled him? Nehemiah told him of the great burden upon his soul for his own country and people, and received permission to go to the rescue. Granted a guard, and letters of introduction, so he might go in safety through hostile countries, he finds himself in Jerusalem. Sleepless, because of the conditions he finds, in the night he begins investigations, and the needs of his country and people are revealed more clearly to him. With the vision of need came the plan of service, and every man "repaired over against his house," and erelong the wall was rebuilt, "for the people had a mind to work," and victory came because their war-cry was, "Our God shall fight for us." Hundreds of years later, in another court, a prisoner stands before the bar of justice and appeals to the highest power in the realm. A kingly visitor appears and asks that he may hear the noted prisoner, and an interview is granted. Standing before the throne, upon which is seated two kings, the accused tells the story of his life from childhood, saying he had lived a religious life and a life of service even to the persecution of those who did not live as he had been taught.

When still a young man, "with authority and commission," he had started to Damascus to persecute the followers of him who was called the Christ, when suddenly physical blindness came upon him and a marvelous vision of his own condition, the condition of his people and of the Gentile world, their need, his service, and what it had meant to him and to them unto whom he had been sent. Then looking with wonderful steadfastness and almost divine dignity, Paul's voice rang out clear and true as he said, "O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision!"

We are here this night to answer at the bar of your judgment, as we reveal to you our visions of need, of service, of results, and of prophecy, and to let you judge whether or not we may say, "O, friends, we have not been disobedient to *our* heavenly vision."

It has been said, "Your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." To us has not been given the *dream,* but the *vision;* and by its *impelling* and *compelling* force we have gone forth to conquer for our King. Again, it has been said, "Where there is no vision the people perish." But to us has been given *life* and *growth* and *fruit,* because we have had the *vision* given, we believe, by God Himself.

Will you hear our cause as we attempt to reveal unto you *our* vision? We shall be willing to abide by your verdict, whether ours is a just cause or not.

To us has come the *near* vision, *our own loved land;* and through this has come also the far vision, the need of the world. To have the near vision first is, we believe, nature's plan in the physical world and God's plan in the spiritual world, for the Master Himself has said, "Beginning at Jerusalem."

The vision of need in our own land, our Jerusalem. Not so much of the *material* needs, but the *spiritual* needs of nearly 95,000,000 of people who live under the protection of Old Glory, of whom but 33,000,000 are of any religious faith. Compared with the teeming millions of other lands, does this seem a small responsibility? Add to the 62,000,000 as yet unreached by any religious belief, the fact that they are *our own,* and the problem reaches a magnitude which we can scarcely comprehend and for which, solution seems almost impossible. Let us illustrate this responsibility. We pass on the street a man who has been debauched in a licensed saloon, and with a sympathetic glance we are sorry; we pity him. But as we look at the man more closely we see, perchance, *our* father, *our* brother, *our* husband, *our* son; and into the problem we must put the factor *our own.* And now the problem is ours for time and eternity; and what will we not do to solve that problem? So it must enter our National problem—*our own land, our own people;* and the revelation of this factor makes this problem of paramount importance.

Let us study the component parts of our vision of need. Look to the Southland and see 10,000,000 of Negroes to-day in conditions almost indescribable, due to the results of slavery and the awful neglect from which they have suffered from the hands of the Nation and the Christian Church

since the Emancipation. It was the vision of Abraham Lincoln translated to the Nation in the War of the Rebellion which made it possible for his signature to the Proclamation of Emancipation to break the shackles of slavery from 4,000,000 of black people. It is our vision of to-day, under the leadership of our great Captain, which reveals to us that our work is to help break the shackles of mental, moral, and spiritual slavery by which these Negroes—*our own*—are still bound. The revelation of the Negro woman, having no adequate conception of true womanhood, wifehood, and motherhood, and the possibility of its redemption urges us to service; for a nation can only rise as its womanhood rises.

The vision changes, and we are in the mountains of the Southland, peopled by 5,000,000 of the white race—*our* Mountain Highlanders. Without advantages of Christianization and education, shut away in their mountain fastnesses and isolation, they present visions of family and neighborhood feuds, in which lives have been sacrificed. The illicit manufacture of intoxicating liquor, or moonshine whisky, which has been the curse of the mountaineers. The young people must be rescued and saved from the sin of the fathers; and they, earnest and anxious, beckon us to help them to a better manhood and womanhood.

Quickly from this mountain vision let us imagine that we came with the *Pilgrim Fathers* and mothers, landing at Plymouth and welcomed by the red men. Follow in imagination these aborigines, and see them driven back and back until reservations to which they were confined would scarce afford an existence. See them to-day as lands are being given in severalty, making another and even greater opportunity for the satisfaction of a few white men who would take from the Indian his last penny or foot of land simply because *he is* an Indian. The vision is not a pleasing one because as a Nation we have been guilty of this awful injustice. It calls us as Christians to give the Indian opportunities of education and religious development which have been denied him by the Nation.

The scene changes and now our vision is in the Southwest as we gaze upon our Spanish-speaking people who have come over to us from Mexico. Priest ridden, superstitious, and ignorant with a degraded womanhood, with a childhood which is pitiable, indeed, the vision calls us to the rescue.

In the wail of the Prophet Jeremiah, we may catch our next vision, as he cries: "When ye entered, ye defiled my land and made mine heritage an abomination: The priests said not—where is the Lord? and they that handle the law knew me not; the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal and walked after things that do not profit: For my people have committed two evils: They have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and have hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water." Jer. 2:7-8-13.

This is descriptive of the great octopus of Mormonism with its black body on the State of Utah, while its tenacles touch every part of our own land and reach beyond the seas. According to the latest sta-

tistics, one in every 125 of our present population is a Mormon; or in other words, 760,000 inhabitants of our land profess allegiance to this religious, political, and social menace, manipulated by a political priestcraft. As an ecclesiasticism, their so-called religious teachings are pernicious and include the teaching and practice of polygamy. The Right Reverend F. S. Spaulding, who has been for more than six years the Episcopal Bishop for Utah, says, in a letter to the Archbishop of Canterbury: "With reference to the fidelity of the Mormon Church to its pledge, when Utah became a State in 1904, there is a general unanimity of opinion that this pledge has been broken. The list of plural marriages since 1904, published in the Salt Lake *Tribune*, is generally admitted by the Mormons themselves to be correct, and I am also well informed that this list is by no means complete. The Mormon missionary does not conceal his belief in polygamy. He defends it. I am sure that Mormons believe and teach that Jesus practiced polygamy. I am convinced that *all* religious Mormons believe in polygamy." It is asserted upon reliable authority that enough young people have entered recently this relation of plural marriage to keep the institution alive in Utah for another fifty years. The Mormons confess that they practice polygamy on a large scale in Mexico, which is of vital concern to the people of the United States, because Mormons who thus marry in Mexico are American citizens, and bring their plural wives back to Utah. We are led to quote from a recent high authority: "That the Mormon ecclesiasticism is simply a great religious secret society, existing very largely for criminal purposes." This darkest and blackest of visions makes us feel that as a Christian nation we must wipe out this disgraceful blot from the escutcheon of our country.

Again our vision is changed, and we stand on the coasts of our land east and west and behold the immigrant as he comes to our shores—1,000,000 every year for more than a decade. On the east we see representatives of every European country bringing to us the problems, ignorance, and religions of the old world. On the west we see the Asiatics bringing the problems of heathen and pagan nations. Not only are the common classes from these countries coming, but also the teachers, priests, and priestesses of their cults and religions. A current magazine for this month prints an article from the pen of Mabel Potter Daggett entitled, "The Heathen Invasion."—"American women losing fortunes and reason seeking the eternal youth promised by the swarthy priests from the East." "While the Churches of America are spending 20,000,000 dollars annually in the cause of foreign missions the pagans have executed an amazing flank movement; they have sent their emissaries to us. To-day the tinkling pagan temple bells ring out with a derisive, jarring note in a Christian land. Seattle has its Buddhist temple, San Francisco its Hindoo temple, Los Angeles its Krishna temple. The Vedante Society of New York has laid at West Cornwall, Ct., the cor-

nerstone of a greater temple than any of these. It is marked, as are stones and trees set apart for worship in India, with red paint, the sacred vermilion. Engraved deep in New England granite is set the most holy word of the Vedantists—"Om." Chicago, Illinois; Lowell, Mass., have their Zoroastrian temples to the sun. At Chicago, also, the Bahais, a modern Mohammedan cult, are building their great Mashraket-Azkar to represent their sect in the West. From the time of the World's Fair in Chicago, 1893, when the World's Congress of Religions was held until now this invasion has been going on, quietly and stealthily, but surely. The Swamis and Babas who come to America, discarded in India simplicity of their Sanbyasian garb for gorgeous robes more tempered to the Western taste. The incense of sandalwood burns all the way from the Lake Shore Drive in Chicago to Fifth Avenue, New York, and the Back Bay in Boston. The Yoga class is becoming as popular as the Browning or Shakespeare class used to be. Placing the Hindoo and Persian scriptures above their Bibles, are many who were formerly predestined Presbyterians and Baptists; Methodists, saved by grace; established Episcopalians; Roman Catholics, who said their rosaries; and descendants of Abraham, from an unbroken line of Jewish faith. While we have watched with increasing anxiety on the east for European immigrants, we have scarcely realized the menace of immigration to our Western shores.

The vision of immigration easily leads us to a view of our great cities with all they mean to our land. The great colonies of foreigners, the desecration of the Sabbath, the infamous American saloon with its awful havoc and destruction, the political intrigue and graft, the misery of poverty, of pauperism, of juvenile crime, of older criminals, of the white slave traffic so heinous in its terrors and so destructive to our girlhood and womanhood, revealing needs which are stupendous, indeed.

Let us, like Moses of old, get a vision of that which in our Nation's life should be our Land of Promise,—childhood under the flag. In no other land is there such a diversity of child life. In no other country is there greater opportunity for the development of this great factor in the life of the nation. We have been slow to see this vision, but we are rapidly awakening to this responsibility. Last year in the conservation of plant life our government spent $1,500,000; in conservation of beast life over $3,000,000; but not one penny distinctively for the conservation of child life, one of the greatest assets as a nation. But during the recent session of Congress a commission under the Department of Labor and Commerce was created to study child conservation. When we recall that 375,000 babes under one year of age die annually from preventable causes, when we think of the conditions of the Negro, the Indians, the Spanish, the Mormon, the Japanese, and the Chinese children; when we remember the child-labor in our mills and mines, the child problem in our island possessions and in the slums of our great cities,

and put with all this the factor of our own, and the vision is one of intense purport to every individual who has the best future good of the Nation upon his heart.

Once more the scene changes and we catch the vision of our insular possessions in the Aleutian Isles, Hawaii, and Porto Rico. The conditions found in these newer possessions are due to Russian, Oriental, and Spanish control. With no opportunities for education, with the domination of Greek and Roman Catholicism, but without spiritual and moral uplift, the conditions of physical, mental, moral, and religious oppression and degradation beggar description.

Do you get in this review of conditions the vision of need everywhere under the flag? If so, you immediately see the vision of service which must lead you to activity such as perhaps you have never known. For a moment let us review the service which this great organization has given in answer to the vision—need. In 1881 three missionaries sent to the Negroes of the Southland; in 1910 and 1911, 240 teachers and missionaries in the needy fields; and in addition to this nearly 400 deaconesses in active service on the firing line, in the forefront of the battle. We must also note a larger company of 120,000 women and nearly 60,000 young people and children who go by staying at home to cultivate the base of supplies. Who, by paying their dues, by making gifts large and small, by thithing and praying, make possible the service of teachers, missionaries, and deaconesses.

We recognize the strong, God-given leaders of the past and present, women in whom the spirit of consecration has ever shone. The trustees who give unstintedly of time and talent, together with our Bureau Secretaries industriously and untiringly helping in this service. Our Conference, District, and Auxiliary officers, and Secretaries of Departments, together with officers and Managers of Young People's and Children's Societies, helping to meet the needs. A wonderful vision this great army of women and children—verily

"Like a mightly army, moves this host of God;
Sisters, we are treading where the saints have trod.
We are not divided;
All one army we—
One in faith and service,
One in charity."

But from this vision of service we turn for a moment to the vision God has given of results. As we look we forget the hills of difficulty and the valleys of despondency over which we have climbed and through which we have passed, and we see souls redeemed, lives brightened, burdens lightened because of this service.

In the mission fields where is the forefront of the service we see results in our industrial homes and schools, mission day schools, orphan-

ages, Churches, Sabbath schools, Epworth and Junior Leagues, Deaconess training schools and homes, settlements and hospitals, immigrant homes, and all lines of our activities; and, as we look upon the thousands upon thousands who have been gloriously saved through these agencies we can only say—What hath God wrought?—and from our hearts rises the good old doxology—

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

Again a vision, and this time a prophecy which all the combined forces of God's servants in the homeland, and for the homeland, must bring to pass in the days to come. When the Negro shall have his rights, civil and religious; the Mountain Highlander shall leave his mountain fastnesses and become a man among men; when the Indian shall be a free man; when Mormonism, as a political menace and religious ecclesiasticism, shall no longer exist; when the immigrant shall no longer feel that liberty means license to continue old world customs and religions in defiance of our laws; when every brewery, distillery, and saloon shall be driven back into the pit from whence it came; when there shall be no more slavery of woman, whether she be an American or Oriental; when the Bible may again be an open book, accessible to all, and no longer be forbidden in our public schools. When greed and graft shall no longer be known in our State and National Legislatures. When the highest office in the gift of the people shall be given to God-fearing men who shall lead us away from corruption in national life to be the Nation God intended the United States of America should be. Thus having begun at Jerusalem, the intense light of a Christian nation shall lighten the world, and in that glad day

"Every nation, every tribe on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all."

The vision of need, of service, of results, and prophecy challenges the consecration of every man, woman, and child to the greatest sacrifice and consecration until we shall be able to say, "We were not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

Far away, in one of the art galleries of the old world, there hangs a picture representing a young king on his way in a procession from his coronation, panoplied in all the pomp and power and proud circumstance that this earth can bestow. He makes his way through his gathered people upon a white horse, burdened with the purple and gold of royalty, while the loveliest maidens in the realm strew rose leaves in his path. Behind him, a long line of warriors—steel of feature as

of armour—proud supporters of this king, in whose veins flows the blood for which their forefathers gave their lives. Thus the young king comes from his coronation where every device has been used to heighten within himself and his people the supremacy of regal uplift, of the majesty of the crown. But the procession passes; banners float; spears glisten in the sunlight; the long line of helmets follows the lonely but kingly figure; and ever the rose leaves fall, a tinted shower upon the dusty way. But the king, the king—he has turned his head, he pauses, and there, by the common roadside, he sees a vision. What is it? Only the rudely carved figure of the crucified Christ upon a rough cross—such as may be seen in many lands. Just the Christ with the crown of thorns upon His dying head. The procession passes. But the king—the vision of Calvary came to him by the roadside, and henceforth his life was consecrated to the uplift of his people. His eyes had been opened, he has seen his vision. We are kings and priests unto God; our procession passes, and there lifted high, by the roadside of life, that all may see, Eternal Love hangs crowned upon the cross of sacrifice, the cross of service, the cross of joy.

Beloved, have you seen this vision? If so, you must follow on until you may say: "O, Master, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

Department of Young People.

Another year has gone into history, and we pause a moment to return thanks to our Heavenly Father, who has been our Guide and inspiration under all conditions and at all times.

As we name our organizations in thought we can almost see these bright, beautiful Queen Esther Girls whom we have learned to know and love. By their efforts and co-operation; by our Conference and District Secretaries' consecration and effectiveness, we are able to report a large growth in membership and finance. We wish it were possible to call the roll of every officer and member of our organizations and hear their hearty response—"America for Christ."

Your Secretary has sent out 25,000 report blanks. While there is a more systematic use of the same, there is room for marked improvement. The frequent changes in the Young People's Conference Secretaries is a drawback to the work. I firmly believe that in every Conference there is a woman who will respond to the high calling of this office. Is it not your duty to find her? Are you praying, dear women of Conference Executives, that God will direct you to this one woman?

Just a few statistics. Detroit Conference leads in the largest number of organizations, 61; also largest membership, 1,260. North Indiana has raised the largest amount for Student Aid, $1,208.41; East Ohio follows very closely, $1,189.37; Baltimore, $1,004.95, and Rock River, $1,000.55.

There are a few Conferences that pay dues for every member—Southern California, St. Louis, West Virginia, Wilmington, Newark, Northwest Indiana, Northwest Kansas, and Central Pennsylvania. Let us endeavor to increase this list, and take for our motto, "Dues for every member."

The year's record shows that we have 1,506 organizations, with a membership of 30,128; 70 Conferences, and 237 new organizations. Rock River leads in the number of new organizations, 13; Philadelphia follows with 12 new organizations.

Finance.—We thought if our Young People paid into the treasury $50,000 they would do well, but we come with even greater victory and proclaim the magnificent sum of $53,159.85. Aye, fidelity, faithfulness, and consecration have characterized their work. They are building well—better than they know. It has been said that "Whosoever saves a child from the fingers of evil, sits in the seat with the builders of cities and the procurers of peace." That is just what our girls are doing, saving the children of our land. We raised $18,786.69 for Student Aid, an increase of $1,656.18. Pittsburgh leads in finance, $4,751.50, and receives the beautiful American flag to hold for the coming year.

Christ Church Young Woman's Circle of the Pittsburgh Conference receives the banner for the largest amount of money, $3,675.05. The banner for the largest proportionate increase is awarded to the St. Louis Conference.

A number of Queen Esther Circles have graduated into Young Woman's Auxiliaries. We advise this method wherever practicable. One has joined the ranks of the main Auxiliary.

In the words of Sir Walter Raleigh, we would say: "Bestow thy youth so that thou mayest have comfort to remember it when it hath forsaken thee, and sigh not and grieve at the account thereof. Whilst

thou art young thou wilt think it will never have an end; but behold, the longest day hath its evening, and that thou shalt enjoy but once it never returns again. Use it, therefore, as the springtime, which soon departeth and wherein thou oughtest to plant and sow all provisions for a long and happy life." We have a great vision of our ideals for the coming year, and if we are true to our vision we will inscribe on our banner, "Victory for Jesus Christ." With our new policy and the daily use of our prayer-card by every Queen Esther, we have every reason to believe that our girls will receive a great spiritual uplift.

We have created a Queen Esther life membership at fifteen dollars. The money is to be appropriated only to the salaries of missionaries. We have a beautiful certificate, steel engraved on vellum paper. These beautiful and attractive certificates were made possible by the generosity of a good friend who will not permit us to use his name. He was not only instrumental in securing the gift, but gave his personal supervision to the construction of the certificates. We extend to him our sincere thanks and pray that God may spare his life for many years of active Christian service.

On the 18th day of January, 1912, we will have reached our twenty-fifth anniversary, and we want to anticipate the celebration of that day by pledging 100 Queen Esther life members at $15 each. We should do it, for God has done so much for us. Let us remember that "Thoughts are seeds, words are flowers, and deeds are fruits." Let us use every effort to make our deeds count on this line of activity.

We commend to your thoughtful consideration the organization of a College Woman's Auxiliary in every Conference.

It is with much gratification and thankfulness that we bear loving tribute to the able and efficient service of our field and college Secretary, Miss Carrie Barge, who by the help of God has been able to organize, enthuse, and inspire many girls to come into the ranks of our Queen Esther work.

Scanning the field and considering the scope of the work, some may ask—

Who are these whose faces
  Arise to bid us haste—
These gentle forest children
  Beyond the desert waste;
These lovely mountain maidens
  Who long for school and book;
Dear daughters of the home-land,
  With love in every look?"

And in answer, these are they who by our help are being developed into God-fearing members of society, thus elevating the standard of humanity.

With grateful remembrance of the past, and unfaltering faith for the future, we pray—

"O, Master, give Thy blessing,
  And guide us as we try
In sisterhood of service
  To lift Thy banner high.
Let not Thy kingdom tarry,
  Nor let it suffer loss.
Speed on the day of glory,
  The conquest of the Cross."

Mrs. David Dailey, Jr., *Secretary.*

STATISTICAL REPORT, DEPARTMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE.

Conferences.	Queen Esther Circles, Home Mission Circles, Young People's Home Missionary Societies, Young Woman's Auxiliaries.	Members	Dues	Scholarships or Student Aid	Other Funds	Free-will Building Fund or Thank-offering	Supplies	Total
Alabama	4	60				23 00		23 00
Atlanta	5	46				3 30		3 30
Arizona Mission	2	27		30 00	2 75			32 75
Baltimore	41	947	$390 00	481 10	1,004 95	300 20	635 01	2,811 26
California	21	135	59 00	367 80	12 10	20 00	12 50	471 40
Central Illinois	19	409	155 30	201 45	129 40		54 60	540 75
Central New York	37	774	293 05	586 94	16 76		88 09	984 84
Central Ohio	37	887	271 01	225 50	324 78	26 16	40 50	887 95
Central Pennsylvania	36	688	346 50	285 00	229 00	94 50	148 84	1,103 84
Cincinnati	25	643	298 80	364 25	513 37	144 68	343 83	1,664 93
Colorado	25	420	111 05	317 24	78 37		115 42	622 08
Columbia River	11	145		10 00	50 64	10 00	10 50	81 14
Des Moines	46	669	236 05	720 00	52 66	80 50	88 13	1,177 34
Delaware	5	70	11 52					11 52
Detroit	61	1,260	227 73	974 78	119 04	82 20	146 04	1,549 79
East Ohio	42	792	353 63	1,189 37	185 14	66 28	194 84	1,989 26
Erie	31	800	246 54	471 90	210 71	174 92	85 97	1,190 04
Genesee	29	643	212 18	203 00	318 85		310 00	1,044 03
Holston	7	115	27 50			50 00		77 50
Illinois	33	825	263 29	491 33	15 16	270 28	202 86	1,242 92
Indiana	17	681	147 17	221 50	75 79	82 50	236 61	763 57
Iowa	34	361	144 83	147 20	79 98	7 00	37 00	416 01
Idaho—Boise City	1	55	13 50	15 00			5 00	33 50
Kansas	10	160	41 61	127 70				169 31
Kentucky	3	67	25 21	25 00	115 48	25 00	35 00	225 69
Lexington	4	60	9 15		1 50			10 65
Little Rock	10	119	46 90	50 00	71 50			168 40
Maine	10	146	56 50	29 45				85 95
Michigan	25	418	144 35	274 57	51 38		8 00	478 30
Minnesota	26	551	109 30	41 70	166 50		148 50	466 00
Nebraska	18	390	97 55	199 27	6 06	2 45	37 53	342 86
Newark	25	418	213 94	416 00	12 86		46 77	689 67
New England	29	579	132 45	220 50	23 30	93 00	33 10	502 35
New England Southern	8	109	20 20	25 00	61 99		46 24	153 43
New Hampshire	11	221	86 02	158 00	16 20	24 00	90 96	375 18
New Jersey	29	625	298 51	604 00	137 14	336 84	225 70	1,602 19
New York	17	341	122 00	215 00	51 05	80 00	236 91	704 96
New York East	34	689	258 06	906 00	302 84		212 33	1,679 23
North Carolina	4	31	2 50	1 50				4 00
North Dakota	6	157	50 00	100 00	25 00	25 30	13 90	214 20
North Indiana	54	1,030	340 32	1,208 41	19 95	72 00	190 53	1,831 21
North Nebraska	5	57	25 35	15 00	12 95	43 00	7 90	104 20
North Ohio	21	460	158 53	43 75	280 81	10 00	119 30	612 39
Northern Minnesota	22	502	146 96	462 85	77 74	5 00		692 55
Northern New York	34	681	270 02	327 70	64 79	50 00	145 15	857 66
Northwest Indiana	19	386	193 08	451 32	10 10	228 01	78 88	961 39
Northwest Iowa	24	290	96 01		168 50			264 51
Northwest Kansas	12	215	110 00	19 75				129 75
Ohio	22	560	172 00	152 34	138 34	138 75	80 34	681 77
Oklahoma	8	113	30 00	67 50	15 60	11 40	5 00	129 50
Oregon	10	246	33 20	155 00	1 40		10 00	199 60
Philadelphia	46	1,169	266 30	422 00	1,075 26	28 00	903 09	2,694 65
Pittsburg	41	942	393 13	354 31	3,861 59	51 60	90 77	4,751 40
Puget Sound	18	340	120 10	308 36	26 45	34 32	15 65	504 88
Rock River	53	850	331 34	1,000 55	579 61	65 00	102 50	2,079 00
St. Louis	14	409	215 70	362 89	188 76	65 41	968 75	1,801 51
South Dakota—Spearfish	1			18 89				18 89
South Kansas	10	303	86 43	137 50	99 64	35 00	42 50	401 07
Southern California	48	1,019	568 29	834 69		802 00	200 25	2,405 23
Southern Illinois	18	292	138 53	213 20	122 90	25 44	143 81	643 88
Southwest Kansas	27	659	187 68	436 59	133 82		103 00	861 09
Troy	42	922	389 20	660 20	188 77	110 60	135 40	1,484 17
Upper Iowa	30	607	187 78	61 80	60 66	173 30	129 54	613 08
Vermont	10	377	12 00	15 00	190 75		4 00	221 75
Washington	10	235	28 50	51 25	20 92		90 00	190 67
West Nebraska								
West Virginia	18	76	38 10	99 00	35 90	9 50	30 56	213 06
West Wisconsin	8	154	40 86	58 99	45 00	5 00	43 90	193 75
Wilmington	12	289	174 26	100 00	169 81	30 08	14 50	488 65
Wisconsin	4	50			116 69		57 10	173 79
Wyoming	24	310	111 35	50 80		45 00	121 81	328 96
College Woman's Auxiliaries	3	52	30 75					30 75
Total	1,506	30,128	$10,418 67	$18,786 69	$12,169 06	$4,060 52	$7,724 91	$53,159 85

Department of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels.

Was there ever a mother, or a teacher, who did not sometimes get discouraged? And was there ever one worthy the name who did not rally from such a state with the comforting assurance, "After all, they are just boys and girls—the dearest, most lovable, most worth while of all God's creations?" Tides will ebb, but they also flow; disappointments will come, but the blessings far outnumber them.

And so, although we come to this "feast of ingathering" with smaller sheaves than we would gladly bring, we have no story of harvest failure to tell. Nay, the "fields are white to the harvest"—the only difficulties are with the reapers, and those who, as in the market-place of old, "stand all the day idle."

The total reported receipts are $10,207.79, an increase of $1,351.67 over last year.

We believe that new impetus will be given to this work through the appointment of Miss Alice Hawthorne, of Tacoma, Wash., as Assistant Secretary. She brings to the Department the energy and devotion of consecrated young womanhood, and by her help we expect to cultivate enthusiasm and the *esprit de corps* among our workers.

I would I might share with you the letters telling of splendid work done; of sacrifices for the sake of children who otherwise would have "no chance;" of growth in intelligent Christian service that has come to our boys and girls through this work. Oh, it pays a hundred-fold!

Some points need emphasis; for the General Secretaries and the Conference Secretaries alone, however faithfully they may toil, can not do the work unaided. We need,

1. More earnest recognition and help on the part of Conference officers. The children are as much a part of the work for which these are responsible as are the young women and the Auxiliary members. May we not expect an increase in your efforts to build up, through them, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the future?

2. We need to emphasize the importance of paying dues, and to this end we must emphasize the value of the work and the privilege of "belonging." As a single example, one Conference that reported $52.75 as Home Guard dues last year, has an increased membership, but only $35.73 in dues, this year.

3. We need to be more mathematical. By no possible arithmetic can Jewel dues for 404 members, at ten cents each, amount to $27.35 as reported. Such careless handling of figures does not argue well for the treasury of the future.

4. We need more "mothering" by the Auxiliaries. The children's leaders need this help and co-operation, not only in providing the necessary supplies, but in showing by your presence and interest in their meetings that you thoroughly believe in their work.

5. We need the help of the Queen Esthers as leaders for our societies. The children are ready. You can do no better service than by training them to-day, that they may be your strong allies to-morrow when you are the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The banner for the greatest per cent of gain in paid Home Guard

membership goes to the Michigan Conference. Its faithful Secretary has moved steadily forward, amid many discouragements, and deserves the hearty congratulations on the gain of fifty per cent that has been made.

Iowa Conference has made a net gain of 145 per cent in amount contributed by the children; but Indiana has moved a step farther forward and assumes the custody of the silk flag for the ensuing year with a net gain of 182 per cent.

These two constitute the regular awards. But an increase of 394 per cent in amount given for Student Aid by the children of a single Conference calls for special notice, and it is a great pleasure to give to New York Conference a ribbon bearing the date and the legend, "The Children for the Children." May they increase the percentage of gain more and more as the years go by.

One last word—and for all of us. Do we pray for this work? On the answer to the question depends the success or failure of the coming year, for "as a woman prayeth so is she."

STATISTICAL REPORT OF GUARDS AND JEWELS.

Conferences.	General Fund.	Student Aid.	Other Funds.	Jun. L's & S. S.	Total.
Baltimore	$62 00	$15 18	.....	$15 00	$92 18
California	31 20	28 00	.....	10 00	69 20
Central Illinois	43 31	34 37	.....	15 00	92 68
Central New York	129 38	79 65	6 00	.....	215 03
Central Ohio	61 89	13 50	60 30	.....	135 69
Central Pennsylvania	96 47	66 50	.....	.....	162 97
Cincinnati	139 01	175 51	39 63	.....	354 15
Colorado	55 01	20 50	.....	66 65	142 16
Columbia River	55 12	17 67	.....	.....	72 79
Delaware	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Des Moines	47 19	48 11	.....	45 00	140 30
Detroit	95 94	107 91	.....	.....	203 85
East Maine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Ohio	153 25	394 79	13 50	30 00	591 54
Erie	91 10	68 50	20 50	.....	180 40
Genesee	102 57	85 74	83 39	35 00	306 70
Holston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Illinois	30 88	79 96	.....	.....	110 84
Indiana	146 42	239 16	42 55	16 51	444 64
Iowa	100 05	41 53	6 25	.....	147 83
Kansas	44 60	129 04	.....	.....	173 64
Kentucky	2 80	15 00	.....	.....	17 80
Lexington	4 92	.....	.....	.....	4 92
Little Rock	12 00	10 00	31 75	.....	53 75
Maine	27 00	10 00	.....	10 00	47 00
Michigan	125 22	57 00	32 90	.....	215 12
Minnesota	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 00
Missouri	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nebraska	78 38	32 75	.....	.....	111 13
Newark	89 31	168 65	.....	.....	257 96
New England	168 29	10 00	58 06	20 00	256 35
New England Southern	18 20	25 20	.....	.....	43 40
New Hampshire	22 85	14 32	.....	3 10	40 27
New Jersey	54 65	16 05	58 49	.....	129 19
New York	18 70	325 48	160 20	.....	504 38

STATISTICAL REPORT OF GUARDS AND JEWELS—Continued.

Conferences.	General Fund.	Student Aid.	Other Funds.	Jun. L's & S. S.	Total.
New York East	39 50	90 10	10 40	2 00	142 00
North Dakota	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Indiana	137 39	50 55	50	.....	188 44
North Nebraska	46 79	.....	.....	.....	46 79
North Ohio	71 43	27 50	.....	.....	98 93
Northern Minnesota	51 70	66 43	10 65	5 00	127 78
Northern New York	77 21	102 60	7 10	.....	186 91
Northwest Indiana	107 19	102 97	.....	.....	210 16
Northwest Iowa	65 97	.....	55 95	.....	121 92
Northwest Kansas	14 97	40 45	.....	.....	55 42
Northwest Nebraska	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio	55 60	26 50	32 90	.....	115 00
Oklahoma	21 30	33 35	.....	.....	54 65
Oregon	46 20	24 95	.....	.....	71 15
Philadelphia	48 03	164 75	122 96	12 00	347 74
Pittsburgh	91 16	111 25	.....	195 50	397 91
Puget Sound	30 75	151 03	.....	15 00	196 78
Rock River	274 30	457 14	.....	.....	731 44
St. Louis	24 36	1 30	41 80	.....	67 46
Southern California	265 17	139 48	.....	.....	404 65
Southern Illinois	62 14	46 10	13 00	.....	121 24
South Kansas	7 80	.....	.....	7 00	14 80
Southwest Kansas	69 94	76 14	.....	10 00	155 08
Troy	35 66	135 66	.....	10 00	181 32
Upper Iowa	66 51	50 68	.....	.....	117 19
Vermont	45 45	27 53	.....	9 00	81 98
West Virginia	21 52	25 00	1 97	.....	48 49
West Wisconsin	14 70	.....	1 30	.....	16 00
Wilmington	63 30	30 45	1 67	.....	95 42
Wyoming	140 76	241 94	32 05	26 00	440 78
Wisconsin	2 80	.....	.....	.....	2 80
Totals	$4,107 31	$4,547 92	$945 80	$557 76	$10,207 79

(Miss) Alice M. Guernsey, *Secretary.*

Mission Supplies.

The Master summed up in one word—"Love,"—the whole law—love for God, love for one's neighbor. The greatest thing about supply work is the love which prompts it. This love finds expression in the work done by the women of the Auxiliaries of our Society. The giving of time, labor, and money to this work is inspired by that which is greater even than faith and hope—for the greatest of these is love.

The Conference Supply Secretaries have been diligent and painstaking, endeavoring throughout the year to create a deeper interest in the work. The year has not been without its discouragements. Problems hard to solve have arisen, and are still before us, but seeking wisdom from Him who says, "Ask, and ye shall receive," we know the light will come.

Numerous requests have been received throughout the year for appeals from the frontier for Queen Esther Circles. In the springtime of life our girls, eager, enthusiastic, radiant with hope, joyous with anticipation of the future, hearts tender with love, are learning it is not the gathering in but the giving out that brings happiness.

We truly labor not in vain when letters like the one from which I quote come to us. "We are unable to express our gratitude for the letters and the thirty dollars which they contained. I read in God's holy Book how the raven fed Elijah, how the widow's oil never gave out; but now I know the prophecy can be literally fullfilled in the dawn of the twentieth century. We will thank you on the streets of God if we have no opportunity in this life. We can never repay you, but we pray the blessed Master may fill your hearts to overflowing with His love; for you are doing as Christ commanded, by clothing, feeding, and furnishing fuel for us."

Six hundred and ten (610) appeals from the frontier were received during the year and sent out. The needs of our schools and hospitals were not overlooked. There was sent out in cash and new goods, $84,196.01, an increase of $12,049.71 over last year. Of this amount ministers received $35,000; Deaconess Work, $25,000; Industrial homes, $6,000. There was expended for freight about $2,300; 6,101 books were contributed. In forty-four Conferences, out of the sixty-seven from which reports were received, there was an increase in work done.

This year we have not "stood still" in our labor of love, and in the year before us, with greater hope and stronger faith, a vision comes of still larger things. The West and Northwest report a failure of crops, owing to the long hot summer and drouth. District Superintendents write, "You have no idea of existing conditions." Our homes and schools must be well cared for if we expect the best results, so,—

"The call of duty comes loud and clear,
There is much to be done, if we pause to hear.
We must do our best to lessen the care
Of the Lord's dear children everywhere.
Our thoughts may soar to an hundred creeds,
But here, in the valley, are human needs,
And truly through these, love's pathway leads."

REPORT BY CONFERENCES.

	Cash.	Books.
Austin	$26 80	...
Baltimore	2,842 52	120
California	1,190 73	150
Central Illinois	309 94	58
Central New York	1,901 91	202
Central Ohio	1,339 29	...
Central Pennsylvania	1,663 30	172
Cincinnati	2,275 04	65
Colorado	1,821 31	31
Columbia River	110 38	18
Delaware	295 57	...
Des Moines	1,523 22	38
Detroit	2,012 29	...
East Ohio	2,226 78	...
Erie	1,596 75	120
Genesee	4,549 13	385
Holston	37 00	...
Idaho	256 15	...
Illinois	1,899 04	182
Indiana	1,146 06	304
Iowa	3,092 13	153
Kansas	142 44	...
Kentucky	78 86	79
Lexington	47 18	28
Maine	215 06	...
Michigan	828 36	20
Minnesota	773 46	...
Nebraska	469 83	1
Newark	3,996 08	159
New England	786 14	178
New England Southern	401 77	417
New Hampshire	302 07	13
New Jersey	1,290 78	357
New York	3,688 92	115
New York East	1,676 90	3
North Dakota	288 00	...
North Indiana	1,615 88	418
North Ohio	1,688 16	27
Northwest Indiana	864 38	9
Northwest Iowa	710 21	22
North Nebraska	542 97	...
Northern Minnesota	1,003 21	...
Northern New York	1,246 00	10
Northwest Kansas	276 40	...
Ohio	1,508 54	122
Oregon	447 75	25
Oklahoma	123 88	24
Philadelphia	4,582 54	488
Pittsburgh	2,900 40	73
Puget Sound	357 56	...
Rock River	3,257 08	656
St. Louis	1,734 45	...
St. Johns River	37 76	...
South Kansas	938 12	7

REPORT BY CONFERENCES—Continued.

	Cash.	Books.
Southwest Kansas	1,257 46	2
Southern California	3,306 58	215
Southern Illinois	1,297 70	163
Troy	2,410 46	161
Upper Iowa	650 94	67
Utah Mission	85 30	...
Vermont	239 18	6
Washington	286 19	...
West Nebraska	1,742 20	78
West Wisconsin	62 60	10
Wilmington	194 85	37
Wisconsin	420 01	64
Wyoming	1,242 56	128
Totals	$84,196 01	....

Mrs. E. Y. King, *Secretary.*

Reports From Bureaus.

GEORGIA.

Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga.

(Scholarship, $50.)

A successful year has blessed Thayer Home. Its various departments of industrial work—sewing, dressmaking, and domestic science having had their full complement of pupils.

Under the able management of Miss Mitchell the Home stands firmly in line with its near neighbor, Clark University, supplementing its thorough scholastic training with a necessary and often much-coveted industrial education.

"Hundreds of girls have been trained to higher ideals of womanhood, to efficiency as house-keepers and home-makers, and also as leaders in the life of the colored people. As teachers and wives of educated colored men in the ministry, in medicine, in scholastic work, and other forms of activity, they have made new centers of uplifting influence.

Many are the demands upon this Home for teachers, and many who so anxiously request to enter as students must be reluctantly refused admission because of lack of room. When the call for teachers is so imperative, would it not be the part of wisdom to, as promptly as possible, place the Home in a position to satisfy this growing demand?

In order to hold what we have we must advance. The need of more room and better equipment makes it imperative that we build speedily. With a persistency that knows no denial, and a faith that is of the all conquering kind, Miss Mitchell has been working unceasingly with pen and voice toward the realization of this, her great desire.

Friends! Give her your support and hearty co-operation in her great endeavor for the uplift and advancement of our colored sisters, remembering that the industrious, educated, Christian Negro offers no problem to-day, and when the race has passed through these processes of education and industrial training there will be no problem for the future.

Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Ninteen hundred eleven, at Haven Home, has been a year of opportunity crowned with success. Our rooms have been filled from start to finish by girls who were apt and anxious to learn,—sixty-two in number. A greater number were turned away for lack of accommodations.

The day school, numbering over three hundred pupils, has been well attended. Good, conscientious work has been done in the schoolroom,—in music, in the work of domestic science, in the sewing department. The graduating class numbered sixteen, thirteen of whom were our own girls,—each one becomingly dressed in a gown of her own making.

One of the graduates of 1907, Ellen Gross, this year was honor graduate of the Charity Hospital Training School for Nurses, Savannah.

The work exhibited on Patron's Day was a source of wonder and pride to the visiting parents. The classes in Bible study and the work of the Home have been of the best, and will prove far-reaching in results.

True, we have had more sickness, and have required more medicine than other years; the price of provisions has been higher, and they have been harder to get,—all of which is more stimulating to the farmers to raise larger crops, thereby securing more money to educate their children.

Our receipts have been pleasing, and when you give us one-third for a support we supplement it with two-thirds to help ourselves.

During the year visiting friends have contributed gifts that have made bare rooms comfortable and home-like for teachers and pupils. Our needs are many. Table and bed-linen, quilts, towels, dishes, supplies for the sewing school and kindergarten are among the necessities.

Our Superintendent, Miss Baldwin, and her assistant, Miss Bell, with their loyal corps of workers, are to be commended for the energy, enthusiasm, and earnest Christian spirit which have made possible the year's achievement.

And now, because of this year of greatest possibilities, we find that we have at its close the greatest need we have yet experienced, of help from our friends, that we may obtain a new site for our Home, where greater results may be brought about for the Master, in this large, rapidly developing city of Savannah, in the Southeastern section of our beautiful country.

Speedwell Home, Savannah, Ga.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Under the supervision of Miss Baldwin, and Mrs. Johns, the matron, six small children have been cared for in this Home.

A large day school has been successfully conducted through the year with good results. MRS. J. H. BURNETT, *Secretary.*

FLORIDA.

Boylan Home Industrial Training School, Jacksonville, Florida.

(Scholarship, $50.)

The dream of years has been realized in the completion of our new Boylan Home Industrial Training School. Splendidly located; commanding appearance in its plain, substantial architectural construction; providing a "workshop" for molding and building character, it is a credit to our noble Society.

Three years ago a fine lot 210 x 420 feet, located in the eastern part of the city, in sight of the beautiful St. Johns River, was purchased for our new building, which was to be erected as soon as the old property could be sold to advantage. May 7, 1910, the ground was broken, and on the 26th of the same month the cornerstone was laid with rejoicing.

During the summer and fall the sound of hammer and saw made sweet music to those interested in the completion of the building, which was under contract to be ready for the opening of school October 1st. The heavy rains of the summer delayed the workmen, and we were compelled to defer the opening of school until November 18th. The building was not complete but we could not wait longer, and there were some trying experiences during the number of weeks required to finish the plant. Our Heavenly Father's hand was over us, and no harm came to any one. The opening day there were registered more girls than we ever had at the old Home, for which we were grateful. There were sixty-five in the Home. We have had very little sickness, except an epidemic of measles, but it was so mild that it scarcely detained any from the schoolroom. Our girls were delighted with the new building and the surroundings.

Our excellent corps of teachers were ready for every emergency, adapting themselves to the unfavorable conditions with true loyalty; carried forward their work with untiring effort to pleasing results; bringing the pupils up with the full course of studies in less than seven months, and the final examination registered good per cents. A fine record.

A class of twelve came to their graduation with honor to themselves, and reflecting large credit on the efficiency of their instructors. The Commencement exercises were most gratifying, and were pronounced by friends as the best in the history of the school. A number of the girls expect to return next year to take the normal course.

With our enlarged facilities as provided in our new building, its excellent equipment in the varied departments, the bow of promise leads us on, and we expect to attain larger results for our student body, and we trust may bring glory to Him whose we are and whom we serve."

Boylan Home stands for intelligence and righteousness, and as a "city set upon a hill" from which radiates a helpful stimulating influence, touching multiplied lives. We desire it to be for the colored girls all that our training schools of the North are for our white girls.

We are very grateful to all who have helped to make possible this great enterprise. It is a property that we may all well be proud of. The building is plain but very substantial. The cement block fence is greatly admired, and provides the campus and building a beautiful setting, which will stand almost indefinitely. Trees and shrubbery have been planted, and in a few years will make us a most attractive grounds.

The buildings and grounds are free of debt, but the cement fence, heating plant, walks, furnishings, etc., have put us in debt about $5,000.

Who will help us cancel this debt, and relieve our faithful workers?

Dedication.

Clear and fair dawned the morning of February 12th, the day on which one more temple consecrated to the service of God and the uplifting of humanity was solemnly offered to "Him whose Kingdom is from everlasting to everlasting." Boylan Home Industrial Training School was dedicated with beautiful and appropriate service by Bishop John W. Hamilton. Eloquence, good taste, and perfection in detail marked every part of the impressive service.

The processional of sixty-three girls from class room to chapel might have won praise from a military man, so precise and regular was every movement. The old hymn, "O, for a thousand tongues to sing," never sounded sweeter than when the young voices, joined by the throng that filled every available place in the large chapel, poured forth the

familiar strains. The Apostles' Creed was followed by an earnest prayer by Rev. R. A. Carninne, D. D.

A somewhat difficult anthem was well sung by the Boylan Home Girls' Glee Club. The school, standing, rendered in an effective manner that most wonderful Psalm, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." In past days, when the fever folded its black wings over the doomed city of Jacksonville, that Psalm was a message of hope and strength to the inmates of Boylan Home, and the "Pestilence that walketh in darkness passed harmlessly by the ones that trusted in its sublime promises.

The girls sang one of the melodies of their own people, which has only to be heard to be enjoyed.

Miss Bertha E. Losee, the Principal, read the beautiful Christian greetings sent by Mrs. George O. Robinson, our worthy President, who, to the regret of every one, could not be present. Rev. Jesse Bowman Young, D. D., in glowing words painted the picture of "A New Day," whose dawn as a young soldier in the Civil War he had dimly seen.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken gave a "Historical Review" of the school from its feeble beginnings to this period of its prosperity. Mrs. Aiken possesses the pen of a ready graphic writer, as her sketch, unfolding the experiences and progress of the years, proved.

Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Bureau Secretary, in a few well chosen words gracefully presented to the audience Bishop Hamilton, the early staunch friend of the school, the loyal true-hearted advocate of the colored race.

His opening words, as he called attention to the day—"President Lincoln's birthday"—ran like an electric thrill through the audience.

With heart-felt eloquence he poured forth a grand eulogy to the man who dared break from the millions in bondage the chains of slavery, whose white robes of mercy and charity were dyed with his martyr's blood. The man, the Christian who "trod the wine-press" of sorrow, hatred, and war alone, and who blotted from our flag the dark stain which obscured its starry splendor.

The bishop's splendid address was followed by the hymn "We rear not a temple." To provide for the service, extra folding chairs had been rented, and the good bishop in a bright, witty speech asked the audience to each give one dollar for a chair that should remain in the chapel. Two hundred chairs were purchased.

Mrs. Bunyan presented the building to the bishop for dedication to the "Glory of God and under Him for the service of humanity." It was received by the bishop, who devoutly prayed for God's blessing to rest on the work done within its walls. Softly, yet clear and full the pure, sweet voices of the school rose in a petition to heaven to "Accept the walls that human hands have reared, O God, to Thee."

Brief but earnest cordial addresses were delivered by Dr. G. B. Stone, President of Cookman Institute; Dr. J. S. Todd, Superintendent of the District; Dr. J. B. Ford, of the Baptist Academy and President of the Ministerial Alliance, and others, all wishing for the largest measures of success.

"My country, 'tis of thee" was heartily sung. The old, yet ever new, Doxology seemed to possess a new note of praise.

L. H. Bunyan breathed forth in true thanksgiving and petition the dedicatory prayer, to which all hearts responded, amen. The benediction followed, closing a service which will long be remembered as one of the most impressive and enthusiastic of its kind ever before known in the Southland.

A large and earnest student body with a well prepared and interested Faculty gives large promise for the coming year.

Emerson Memorial Home and School, Ocala, Fla.

(Scholarship, $50.)

The question is sometimes asked, and very properly, "After all, does it really pay to help these Negroes?" It was my pleasure a few years ago to visit one of the best public schools in the State of Florida for colored children. The superintendent accompanied me from room to room throughout the building. He asked me if I saw any difference in a certain two of the rooms in the work of the teachers from the others. I replied the rooms are very neat, the order better, the teachers seem to know what they are teaching, they seemed to possess an intelligence and culture which imparted a thoughtful, studious atmosphere throughout the rooms. "Well," he said, "those teachers had their training in Emerson and Boylan Homes." He did not know who I was. As I thanked him, he said, "I wish we could have such teachers in every grade." The influence for good of those two consecrated young women in that public school and in that community is beyond compute.

The observations of that day have been a constant stimulus to me, and with our Master's guiding hand to direct our earnest efforts, may Emerson Home enlarge her influence in equipping these young women for the largest spheres of service.

Emerson Home is small, having acommodations, with crowding, for but thirty girls. The past year the school has not been full. The severe storm that passed over Southern Florida was destructive, many losing all they had, which prevented a number of our students from attending.

Brewster Hospital and Nurse Training School, Jacksonville, Fla.

The hospital has bestowed more helpful ministeries to those under the pressures of misfortune during the year, than in any of its history. For more full report, see under hospitals.

Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, *Secretary.*

EAST CENTRAL STATES.

Mather Academy and Browning Home, Camden, S. C., and Allen Home and the Lurandus Beach Industrial School, Asheville, N. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

While the work in the several Southern Bureaus for colored people has so much in common that it is difficult to avoid a repetition of facts and ideas in reporting it, still the knowledge that nearly six hundred boys and girls have been almost altogether dependent upon the educational and religious work done in the Homes and Schools of this Bureau for their intellectual and spiritual uplift, ought to create increased interest in the work being done here.

Our work is steadily growing in favor with the surrounding communities, and many more will avail themselves of the privileges offered when we are able to provide enlarged accommodations and a larger amount of student aid.

Browning Home and Mather Academy, Camden, S. C.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Both Home and School were filled to their utmost capacity last year; ninety-seven girls being in residence in the Home and 365 boys and girls in attendance in the school. Five young men and six young women were graduated in a full normal course, two of the young women also completing a course in domestic science.

Over one hundred girls were enrolled in the dress-making classes, besides those in more elementary sewing. One of the graduates becomes the assistant matron in the Home, and several others enter higher institutions. In the revival service of last winter seventy-four boys and girls accepted Christ as a personal Savior.

At Ephesus and Wesley Plantation Churches and Sabbath schools our teachers come in helpful contact with some two thousand colored people, and are giving needed instruction in the practical moralities of a Christian life, as well as inspiring them with larger ideas as to the possibilities for their race in the future.

The overcrowding of our buildings last year was brought to the attention of a generous friend, and resulted in the gift of a very large and excellent school building costing $18,000, which is to be completed during this winter. The building is designed to accommodate five hundred pupils, and to supply every possible need for the comfort and convenience of teachers and pupils. It is our purpose to reconstruct the former school building for dormitory purposes, and thus considerably increase our ability to receive resident girls.

Allen Home and Lurandus Beach Industrial School, Asheville, N. C.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Allen Home had fifty-two resident girls during the past year, and 166 boys and girls were in attendance at the school.

Eleven girls graduated in the normal course; of these, two remain for more advanced work, two are employed at Bancroft Rest Home, one has entered Clark University, one Shaw University, and three have secured positions as teachers. All of these girls before leaving the Home had accepted Christ as their guide and teacher.

The Commencement exercises were of a most interesting character, the graduating address being given by Rev. Dr. Byrd, of the Methodist Church, South, who also presented the diplomas to the class. A musicale was also given, and a fine display made by the cooking and sewing classes.

Extensive improvements were made in both buildings and grounds. The street on which our property fronts has been paved, and new steps and walks provided. Extending across the rear of the building three story porches were built with connecting stairs which provide a convenient and a safe fire escape. The chapel in the school building, which belongs to the Des Moines Conference, is to be improved and seats provided, with funds paid by them during the past year.

The usual lines of religious work in connection with the little Church which is the outgrowth of our work has been well sustained in the Epworth League and Sabbath school by our teachers and pupils.

Mrs. E. L. Albright, *Secretary.*

WEST CENTRAL STATES.

New Jersey Conference Home, Morristown, Tenn.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Another year of satisfactory work has been accomplished, and, while one of our smaller Industrial Homes, it is none the less important, as it is situated at long distance from any other of our Homes for colored girls. Miss Louella Johnson, the Superintendent, has so long been associated with this work she seems to be an integral part, and while, to most of us, change of climate and surroundings are looked forward to with pleasure, she prefers to remain at home as caretaker nearly all the year.

A personal visit and the added testimony of other visitors assure us this is a model Industrial Home, not in name only, but in every appointment, and, best of all, a Christian Home. With the added facility of the new Morristown Academy, (now being erected), with which we are associated, we aim to keep pace in the quality of our specific work. Some interior improvements have been made largely by special gifts. We open the year with the prospect that the Home will be filled to its capacity, and few, if any, who can not pay a little toward their maintenance, which we take as evidence. It is better to help ten than to carry one, but glad indeed to lend a hand to whoever most needs the benefit, and many times over most promising girls are financially destitute.

Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.

(Scholarship, $50.)

It is with a grateful heart I bring my first report of the new Kent Home, for while the old Home has blessed and sacred memories, the new Home with its added facilities should be progressive in each department. First of all, let me emphasize the "Mrs. Lucy A. Snyder" Library, the fruit of the fifty dollars given by our own Nellie Snyder as a love offering for her mother. A pleasant room with double doors into both parlor and dining room and hall as well, making quite an assembly room when required. Of books, four hundred volumes and over. One hundred dollars toward the purchase of these being given by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas of the North Carolina Conference. Mrs. Thomas, at one time a Kent Home girl. A large number of books, the gift of one of our good women at Canton, Ohio, together with several smaller gifts, making a well selected library we not only feel justly proud of, but its influence will be far-reaching.

Our domestic science is still in its experimental stage, but we merge it with great hope for its future, and upon this depends largely the support given it until it is on a solid foundation.

Miss Rose T. Robertson, the Superintendent, gathered the little children near the Home for Sunday school. They volunteered to bring their pennies, assuming that was a part of Sunday school work, and in far away China the pennies went to help feed some hungry little one, while she broke to them the bread of life.

The name "Kent Home" will ever mean much to this Society, because of its much loved foundress, and again it has a fresh interest because we have a part in it. As you go from room to room you will find

an engraved plate with an individual or Conference name; better still we hope to engrave into the heart and life of each girl that which time can not efface.

Again let me express my gratitude to each one having a part in this work. It is yours because you have brought it to completion free of debt. And now I only ask for reasonable financial support that we may make this a veritable model Christian Industrial Home.

"'Tis not for us to trifle;
Life is brief.
Our age is but the falling of a leaf,
A dropping tear.
Not many lives, but 'only one have we,
One, only one;
How sacred should that one life ever be,
That narrow span
Day after day filled up with blessed toil,
Hour after hour still bringing in new spoil."

MRS. HORACE T. DENNIS, *Secretary.*

WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

The past year has been a busy one for the Secretary. Have traveled over 10,000 miles; presented our work at nine Annual Conferences; attended two Conference Conventions, three District Conventions, one District Conference; have spoken in more than thirty other places; visited five of our Homes. It was indeed a joy to see the girls in these Homes, and the training they are receiving, and to know that they were going out well equipped to do valiant service for our Christ.

Peck Home.

There have been many delays in our Peck Home work, there being a feeling on the part of some members of the Board that we had better build somewhere else than in New Orleans, but this matter has been settled, and the report of committee sent by the Board to look up a location was accepted—that we build in New Orleans on the lots given us by the Freedman's Aid Society. A delay of many weeks was caused in procuring the deeds of same; also a small lot we had to purchase to complete the half-block. But now, after fourteen and a half years of longing and pleading on the part of the people of Louisiana, and three and a half years of hard work amid discouragements and disappointements of all kinds for the Secretary, all of these details have been attended to, and it was with joy and thanksgiving that on June 25th the contract for the rebuilding of Peck Home was signed and on June 26th ground was broken and Peck Home begun.

There were present on this occasion the District Superintendent of the Louisiana Conference, ministers, laymen, and officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The first spade full of dirt was turned by the Secretary. Short talks were given by many, and through them all was sound of rejoicing that Peck Home would soon be ready for the training of "our girls."

Dr. and Mrs. Hartzell were not forgotten, and their work of many years ago was spoken of in words of love and gratitude. It is the purpose of the Secretary to honor Mrs. Hartzell by naming the large beautiful hall for her—"Hartzell Hall"—for this we want not less than $500. It is hoped that every Conference will give something towards this.

In regard to our finances, it will be necessary to borrow at least $10,000 to complete the sum allowed for building. We were compelled to use $1,100 of building fund to purchase the small lot that had been sold off the half block given us by the Freedman's Aid Society, because we could not build without owning it, and there had been no provision made for this purchase. I want to urge and plead that our Conferences stand by this work for the next few years. The $10,000 must be repaid by your pledges, there is no other way, and you can readily see how quickly interest money will count up, so help us now and send in your pledges early in the year.

If all is well we will occupy this building the last half of the school year. Furnishing and supplies will be needed—everything necessary for a Home we will want and we must depend on you. We will do the same work here that is done in other Homes—sending out girls with trained hands and minds and consecrated hearts.

Italian Work.

The need of work among the nearly 60,000 Italians of New Orleans grows every day, and while we are doing the very best we can with no equipment and but one worker (with the assistance of the teachers from our Peck Home work) we are in no sense meeting the needs nor the demands that are made upon us. We have industrial work every day but Saturday, sewing, basket weaving, music, etc., and during the fall and winter, night school. Our Sabbath school is well attended.

We are happy over our beautiful Easter service. Seven boys and girls took their first communion. While we rejoice over this we realize had we all the money necessary to carry on work as we should, we might have been able to report twice seven or even seven times seven. This work has not had the financial support in the past that it should have had. Will you pledge something the coming year, if not more than $10? It will be money well invested.

Another problem faces us. Our Christian Italians are asking, "What shall we do with our children? Where shall we send them to school?" These people have been converted; have come out from a Church that believes in Church schools and in religious training for its young; we have nothing of the kind to offer. It is either the public school or convent. Shall we let these people, who have renounced Romanism, send their children back to the Catholic Church to be educated? Surely not. Surely in some way or other, in the near future, our Church will see its *opportunity* and *responsibility,* and be ready to meet it.

Our Miss Page is faithful and untiring in our work. Having been born and raised in New Orleans, she can easily go many places that other workers could not. She speaks Italian, and so is very helpful in our Mission, especially among the older people who can not speak or understand English. Miss Page is one of the most valuable workers our Society has.

Mission work and a school *should* be opened among the over 500,000 French people in the State of Louisiana. The need in Louisiana for missionary work is very great; "for how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach unless *they be sent?*"

Adeline Smith Home.

I spent several very happy days in the Adeline Smith Home. It is a busy place, with its more than seventy-five girls; for all the work of the Home is done by the girls. Each one has a duty to perform, some part of the housework; in this way every girl learns how to do housework—to care for her room, to set a table, to wash dishes, scrub, wash and iron, etc.

Last May nine beautiful young women graduated from the Home. They go out well fitted to fill any place in life that may come to them, in the school room, the home, or Church. Surely we can not put a value upon the work done among these girls, nor ever begin to realize the influence that will go out from their lives upon the lives of others.

Our Queen Esther Circle is alive to its privileges and opportunities, and are working to do all they can to aid in our Home Missionary work.

The President is one of "our girls" who has married and gone out to make a home. It was my pleasure to visit her, to eat some of the good biscuit and cake she had made. She is justly proud of her home, and her ability to keep it as it should be is making it a very happy one.

Our Home Guards are also busy. Those younger girls in the Home do not intend to let the older ones outdo them in earning money, but are planning to see what they can do. We are sure the training the girls are receiving in this work will send them out to do good work for our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We are indeed grateful for the help given us by the Conferences and by friends, for we realize that we could do but little if it was not for this loyal support. We who are housekeepers know how quickly supplies wear out, and when we think of this Home, with its seventy-five girls, it is easy to see why we must ask for help each year. Our girls are trained to be careful, but things will wear out.

We owe a vote of thanks to the Freedmen's Aid Society for the gift of lots for our Peck Home. It shows their interest and appreciation of the work we are doing, that they are willing to give us deeds to this valuable property, which is well worth over $2,400, making total value of lots $3,500.

It is my earnest desire to do the very best work possible for the Homes and Mission under my charge, but I can only do this work with your help and co-operation; so let us work together to build up Methodism in the West Southern States.

Yours for victory,
(Mrs.) Mabell Knostman, *Secretary.*

MISSISSIPPI.

E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs.

(Scholarship, $50.)

The E. L. Rust Home is most delightfully situated upon the campus of fifty-four acres of the Rust University, one of the most important educational institutions of the Southland. The Home owns an additional sixteen acres, with beautiful lawn, flower-beds, and majestic oaks in front, and in the rear a vegetable garden which yielded two hundred and fifty bushels of sweet potatoes this year.

The Home is a three-story frame building, well preserved, but at this time in need of paint. At present it is anything but a "model home," as

it has had very little spent on it in years. There is not a bathtub, hospital room, guest chamber, or fire-escape. Thirty-one girls occupy the third floor, with but one staircase leading to the second. A fire-escape will be put in, "on faith," in October. Who will help pay the bill? The dining-room is so small that only the girls seated at one of the tables can arise at a time, a serious condition in case of fire. The study is so contracted that one-half of the girls are obliged to occupy the dining-room, dishes and cloths being piled on the table not in use. The girls' parlor, where the Circle and Holly Springs Auxiliaries are held, is too small. We must have additional bedrooms, as the girls are crowded at present. A conditional appropriation of $4,100 has been granted in order to enlarge the Home and make it worthy of our great Society and of the honored name it bears. Twenty-two stoves are still used to heat the Home, as the $300 secured some time ago was not sufficient to purchase and install a furnace, there being no cellar under the Home. Through the generosity of the Conferences we hope to obtain the full amount required this year and put in a furnace large enough to heat the present building and the addition.

We are proud of our laundry, with its stationary tubs and drying-room. The old building was repaired and enlarged at the cost of $1,000. The $300 borrowed from the furnace fund for three months, with interest, has been repaid through the kindness of our friends. A stove and a few other accessories are still needed to make our laundry complete.

Notwithstanding the many inconveniences, the past year has been the best, in the opinion of the Superintendent, that the work has ever known, partly because a larger number of girls returned for the second year. It usually required one year to form habits of industry and order; the second is generally one of marked improvement.

The Home is in a sense exclusive, fifty girls having been refused admission on account of lack of accommodations, and only those who show a teachable spirit and are studious are permitted to return, although the Superintendent has sometimes been thankful that she afforded a second chance.

All of the forty-eight girls in the Home last year were members of the Church, Epworth League, and Circle. Many were greatly helped by the precious revival in March. Too much can not be said of the great work being accomplished by the faithful, self-sacrificing Superintendent and missionaries who make a true home for the girls, where love, order, and clean lives abide. Miss Becker, for ten years Superintendent, is an excellent manager. The baking and housework is all done by the girls before school.

The conduct of the girls during my delightful visit, last May, was almost ideal. They commanded my loving respect. Miss Becker is a fine disciplinarian. A tap upon a glass at meals is all that is required to bring about perfect silence that an order may be given. A prize of $5 for deportment was offered, which caused Miss Becker much embarrassment, as twenty of the girls had not been reprimanded during the year. The choice finally fell upon Pearl Conwell. When called to receive the prize at the Commencement exercises, a messenger had to be sent for her, as she had cheerfully remained at home to assist in the preparation of dinner. A prize of $10 offered for "scholarship" both in the University and Normal School was awarded to one of the girls—Ida May Henry.

The sewing department, in charge of Miss Barbour for ten years, and Mrs. McDonald, assistant, is pronounced by President Dockwig to be the most successful department of the University. There were more than two hundred girls in the classes which were held in the cheerful,

commodious sewing-room at the University. Ten machines were kept busy; 232 dresses, including the pretty Commencement gowns, and a large number of other garments and fancy articles were made during the year. The exhibition was most attractive and received much well-deserved praise. Miss Barbour is so ambitious to keep the work up to date, that she took a course of instruction, at her own expense, at Oxford, Ohio, this summer. She also visits as many schools as possible to secure new ideas.

Home means very little to the colored girl, as a rule, who has not received Christian training. One of our girls, in speaking of her mother, said: "I love my mother, but I hate her sin." In the entire history of the Home not one of our girls that we know of has departed from the path of rectitude. They have gone from the Home true, ambitious women and have become leaders in their respective communities, "a joy and inspiration to all whose lives are touched by theirs."

Mrs. I. D. Jones, *Secretary.*

TEXAS.

King Home, Marshall, Texas.

(Scholarship, $50.)

Last year I was given charge of the work of the Texas Bureau, and from what I have been able to learn of the work there it will need quite a little attention and some pretty energetic labor to bring it to the proper efficiency. A little time will, however, I believe allow us to bring it up to date and fit both schools to do more and better work than they have ever done.

King Home we have been obliged to thoroughly reorganize, employing another Superintendent and matron. The school seems to need thorough overhauling in several particulars, but during the coming year we hope to see many if not all of the serious faults corrected.

The building is also sadly in need of repairs, and a considerable fund will be needed for this as quickly as we can secure it.

The new Superintendent put in charge this year seems to be a capable and energetic worker, and if her assistants prove what we hope for them we expect to see an entirely different state of affairs within a few months.

It is absolutely necessary for the safety of the building to put in a new heating plant. The outside needs paint very badly, and the inside many repairs, with all kinds of furnishings.

Eliza Dee Industrial Home, Austin, Texas.

(Scholarship, $50.)

The outlook at Eliza Dee is exceedingly good for so few accommodations as we have. We can care for only about twenty-two or twenty-three boarders, when we ought to house many more. There is an urgent demand for better facilities.

Our Superintendent is efficient, and we have secured for her competent help for this year.

A new building is the sore need here, and for this we ought to have at least $20,000. We have a little on hand for this purpose, and we are

sure if good people knew the needs as some of us do money would come to us fast. There are rooms and doors and windows, etc., to be named in the new building. Will you help us?—for the need is great.

Mrs. E. W. Seeds, *Secretary.*

WHITE WORK IN ALABAMA AND GEORGIA.

Rebecca McCleskey Home, Boaz, Ala.

(Scholarship, $50.)

By the gracious consent of the Board of Trustees, this Bureau was divided, and Mrs. W. F. Robertson, who already had the Community Schools, was given entire charge of the white work for North Carolina. So my report deals only with the white work in Alabama and Georgia.

At Rebecca McCleskey Home we are glad to record a year of unprecedented success. A Home overflowing with earnest, happy students, who made good progress in their school work as well as learning important lessons in house and home-keeping. Our music department is self-sustaining, and we congratulate ourselves on securing the services of Mrs. Smead, who is not only a competent teacher but the wife of the District Superintendent, and brings to the Home the added influence of a fine Christian character which touches many lives outside the Home as well as in it. During school hours she gives lessons to outsiders, which is profitable to us. We also teach phonography, and that helps to solve the question of future employment for some of our students.

A steam dryer became a necessity where 150 girls had to complete their laundry work in one day, and this is reported to be a great success. We are gradually getting the necessary equipment, and hope ere long to have a Home complete in every detail. Our first refrigerator came as the gift of Upper Iowa Conference.

The mission furniture in our East Ohio Library room has proven an object lesson of value to us as well as to outsiders, and we now have round mission tables in our dining-room which were made in the Home.

Each year records new conversions, for as new girls come into the Home they are impressed by the atmosphere of love and helpfulness which prevails through the influence of Christian living. Although we had sixty cases of tonsilitis and thirty-seven cases of measles, there were no deaths in the Home this year.

Four of the nine girls who graduated from the Seminary were Home girls. One is principal of a village school, one is in our Settlement Work at Cedartown, and the other two are helpers in our Home. They are a credit to the Society which educated them.

Our debt is gradually fading, while our Home increases its sphere of usefulness; so you may rest assured that your investment here will yield rich returns for the Master.

Sayre, Alabama.

The work at Sayre had to be discontinued for a time because the mines were closed. The mine owners greatly regretted this necessity, but hope it will not be for a great while.

Miss Jackson, the missionary, says she feels the work done has not been in vain, as many learned to know the way of life and had a vision of better things opened up to their minds which will bear fruit in His good

time. She was able to send some promising students from here to Boaz, and we hope the future may bring good tidings of the resumption of a permanent work at this point.

Settlement, Cedartown, Georgia.

(Scholarship, $15.)

What can I say of Cedartown? The same great needs exist, and two faithful, self-sacrificing missionaries are making patient, untiring efforts to relieve them. A large Sunday school and a night school with a small day school are being carried on, while visits are made to the sick. Some domestic science and simple lessons in hygiene are carried into the homes with His message of hope and love.

We must put up a new building here this winter to protect our workers and prosecute the great work begun in this needy place. It is not a new work, but it has been carried on amidst great difficulties and hardships. Let us give this Settlement worker a Home which will become a social center, and give to these people a touch of that divine life which should emanate from Christian homes and lives.

Mrs. O. P. McCarty, *Secretary.*

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Bureau for North Carolina has been made this year to include Mitchell Home and the Community Schools. It administers to the mountain white people, who are not only absolutely without any advantages, but who do not come in touch with those who have advantages.

Mitchell Home marked a great success at the close of its first complete year in the new building. Appropriate literary exercises were held and an exhibition of the work in domestic science. These were attended by hundreds of people around the country, and all were amazed at the wonderful results. They could scarcely believe the students had actually accomplished the work.

And this year when the school opened there were fifty-two day scholars registered—last year there were but fifteen—and forty-eight living in the Home. We could have had over thirty more had our accommodations permitted, a number of whom being able to pay the scholarship.

Besides Miss Bartholomew, our Superintendent, and Miss Moore, who was with us last year, we have two new teachers, making four in all. Miss Dollie Brown has charge of the academic department and teaches the advanced classes. She is a highly efficient teacher and an earnest Christian worker and at once won the hearts and confidence of the students. Miss Edith Ashton has charge of domestic science, and manifests splendid ability not only in her department but in the various other capacities needed in such a school. Our teachers are well pleased with the spirit of study evinced by the students, and they are making every effort to impress upon these plastic minds mental and moral improvement, vital habits, noblest hopes, and divine faith.

We would express sincerest gratitude for the favors received from the Conferences; and if you will but continue these favors, great barren wastes in North Carolina will be improved, and in time richly proclaim the glory of the Lord.

Community Schools.

The Community Schools are exclusively day schools, located far in the mountain interior. We own no property at these points, the schools being held in little chapels or a plain boarded room, put up by the farmers, minus plaster and everything meaning school equipment. The people contribute what they can, and then we pay the teacher to continue for a seven or eight-months' school. She finds boarding somewhere among the mountain people. They are most worthy, and eager for learning, yet so helpless to obtain it. The classes are mostly in elementary grades, but comprise pupils of various ages. Their aptitude for learning is frequently commented upon by the teachers.

The school at Marion, which you have assisted for a number of years, has become self-supporting, and they have put up a schoolhouse. This has been accomplished by farmers coming from farther sections and settling within reach of the school. Last year they had 125 pupils.

At the other schools—Etowah, Teresita, Craggy, and Vests—we had 350 scholars in all. A marked feature of these schools is that the average attendance does not fall much below the enrollment, which means much, considering the distance and that mountain paths are uncertain several months.

Many and persistent are the calls for these schools in the eastern and northern sections of the State. Though great is the result of this work, it requires but small outlay to carry it on. So when the children of our household be filled, will there not yet be some crumbs to give to these pleading, hungry souls?

(Mrs.) W. F. Robertson, *Secretary.*

WHITE WORK IN MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE.

Among the ignorant white class of the South we have a duty to our own blood-kin, descendants of those who fought for freedom as truly as did our own forefathers, but who because of fortuitous circumstances have not kept pace with the march of civilization which has made us what we are. Proud of spirit, with great possibilities latent in their human nature, they must now be fitted to hold their own in the march of progress attendant upon the development of their resources. Fail to educate and Christianize them, and you recruit the degraded and criminal classes of both our city and country. Succeed, and you will add one of the greatest forces that can be found in the advancing civilization of the day.

Bennett Home and Academy.

(Scholarship, $50.)

The results of the last year's work at Bennett Home and Academy have been gratifying. Especial emphasis has been laid upon the building-up of the school. This is one of the few white enterprises in the South where the school, as well as the industrial phases, are entirely under the management of the Society.

We have at Clarkson a school comprising academic, intermediate and primary departments. We have nine teachers and are especially fortunate in the personnel of our Faculty, all of our teachers having had either university or State normal school training. When you see the equipment and personality possessed by them, and know that they are giving out their

best in this out-of-the-world place, you feel that truly the altruistic spirit is not lost, and that, after all, work for the uplift of the unfortunate is a great incentive. The people of the section are recognizing the advantage we have in our superior teaching force. The enrollment last year reached 204, and we graduated a class of ten.

At the close of the second day after the opening, this fall, the enrollment was 125, and the cotton-picking season was not yet over. The people are, many of them, obliged to have the assistance of even their very young children in getting in the cotton crop, so that not until December will we have our largest enrollment.

However, the school opened with every room in Bennett Home engaged, so that we have been obliged to fix up the President's cottage and put a teacher in charge there, in order to take care of the girls who have already come to us.

The great need at Bennett Academy is a new boarding home for the boys. The present building is old, the furnishings poor, and the conditions not such as are conducive to the best results. However, we are spending in repairs, this fall, one thousand dollars, and if the results this year are what we have good reason to expect, an additional expenditure of five thousand dollars in a better home for our boys, an added wing to Bennett Home, to make possible adequate domestic science training, and a laundry, will be imperative.

The serious question of water supply at Clarkson seems at last solved, as the State chemist pronounces the spring water pure, except for surface contamination. The spring is now being walled up to protect against this; a new pump added, and we trust the serious trouble along this line is at an end.

We also have installed a new furnace at Bennett Home, which, we trust, will prevent a recurrence of an epidemic of colds and la grippe which followed the cold snap of last winter.

A gracious revival during the year resulted in the conversion of nearly all of the students.

The work which the Home and school are accomplishing in uplifting ideals and improving living conditions in this distinctly rural section can scarcely be estimated. MRS. HEBER D. KETCHAM, *Secretary.*

Elizabeth Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.

Ritter Home, at Athens, Tennessee, opened in September with fifty-three girls. As the Autumn has been unusually mild the cotton picking and pea harvesting have delayed the return of the students, for as long as there is work in the fields the young people on farms are kept at home. September 25th, Mrs. Chapman, the Superintendent, was called by telegram to the bedside of her dying brother in Hamilton, Ohio, whom she did not reach while living. On the morning of the 28th, while she was dressing for the funeral, she was striken with paralysis, and did not regain consciousness till the evening. Early in October she had a second attack, and her physicians report no improvement in her condition. We fear her work is done, and only the suffering and the passing remain to her.

To preserve the buildings, it was necessary to have them all painted this fall, and the work was under way when Mrs. Chapman left. It was therefore necessary to have some one authorized at once to transact business, so Miss Elizabeth Wilson, the sewing teacher, who had an intimate knowledge of Mrs. Chapman's plans and methods, has been appointed to act as Superintendent pro tem, and one of the former students has voluntered to help in the sewing room without compensation, (as she

says, to pay something on her debt of gratitude to the Home and to Mrs. Chapman), until a sewing teacher can be secured. I have sent down a young lady from Delaware who has had teaching experience in a high school, an earnest lover of girls, as temporary assistant to Miss Wilson, who was quite overwhelmed with the sudden avalanche of new responsibilities. She is not physically strong, and as she is at present the key to the situation it seemed necessary to relieve her as far as possible. At last advices all was running smoothly in the accustomed order.

(Mrs.) D. L. Williams, *Chairman.*

UTAH.

We can not, as a Society, claim the acquisition of new territory the past year in the Utah Bureau, but we have tried to possess the fields already ours with proper furnishings for the prosecution of our work and the care of our properties, thus giving to our efficient and consecrated representatives an environment of comfort at least, which, to the community, has signified sincerity as well as stability in the work which we truly believe God has called the Church to do.

We have maintained work during the year in eight stations: *Deaconesses*—Salt Lake City. *Deaconesses, under missionary rule*—In Provo, Mt. Pleasant, and Ephraim. *Missionary*—Logan. *Schools*—Elsinore, Moroni, and Spring City.

Deaconesses.

Salt Lake City.—We have pleasure in again reporting Miss Cordelia E. Robinson as Superintendent of Davis Deaconess Home in Salt Lake City. Miss Robinson is just closing her first decade of service with the love and respect of those who have been associated with her. We have not had in the Home our full quota of deaconesses; not being able to fill the vacancy made by the transfer of Miss Applegate to Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Elizabeth Bellis has continued with great acceptability her service with the Second Church. I feel quite sure Miss Bellis has the banner children's organization of the mission—a Mother's Jewels Band of seventy-five, with regular meetings and Christian instruction. This, with her Junior League and Sunday school work, is a hopeful promise for the Church of the future. Miss Bellis' Home Department of the Sunday school numbers fifty, and is entirely self-supporting, as are the Home Departments of all our stations. Miss Bellis has made 1,120 calls.

Miss Emma R. Lane entered our work last September. She had the blessed inheritance of being assigned to Heath Church, the duties of which Miss Applegate had laid down. Miss Lane reached as good results as could be reasonably expected from short service. Her Home Department numbered forty; her Cradle Roll, 35. The altitude of Salt Lake City affecting Miss Lane adversely, she returned to California early in June to remain. Miss Lane is succeeded by Miss Ida R. Watson.

Miss Watson, who has for six years been one of the most efficient deaconesses in this field, has served First Church for two years, the Church assuming the responsibility of her support. The duties of a deaconess in the "down town" city Church are varied and exacting, often taxing the ingenuity as well as the spirituality to do the best thing at the right time, and to keep on doing. Miss Watson has not been found wanting, and will not be, in her service for Heath Church the coming year.

Miss Laura Balmer, who served Iliff Church for two years, found upon her vacation in Iowa during the summer a stronger attraction, and of a very different character from that which we contract to furnish in our Deaconess Home, or, indeed, in the field. As a consequence she returned to her Iowa home in the spring, and is now about entering her own home under a new name, where she will doubtless still find missionary work to do.

Miss Winifred Crispin, recently graduated from the San Francisco Training School, will serve Iliff Church the coming year.

Miss Minnie Jones was appointed to Liberty Park Church in August. She is rapidly winning her way in the favor of the people, and will soon have a grasp of the situation that will insure efficient service.

Provo.—Mrs. Grace G. Mettler has closed her second year of service at Provo. While the immediate interests of the Church have not been neglected, the scope of her work has extended beyond distinctively Church lines. Her Home Study Class numbered thirty-nine; the Cradle Roll, twenty-nine. Four of the Home Department Class united with the Church. Mrs. Mettler has placed four children in homes during the year, and has shown sympathy and practical help to those deeply unfortunate. Indeed, this is characteristic of our entire work. Mrs. Mettler's ability and devotion to her work is unquestioned, and we bespeak for her successor, Miss Muriel Forester, a graduate of our Fisk Training School, the same cordial support and friendships enjoyed by her predecessors.

Mt. Pleasant.—Miss Ida L. Applegate, in her first year's efforts at Mt. Pleasant, has opened new avenues of interest through her Home Study Class of twenty. The pastor is non-resident, and visits this important station but twice a month. Therefore much responsibility rests upon the missionary. Her house-to-house visiting has become a blessed feature of her work. The Sabbath school though not large is well organized and full of the spirit that should prevail.

Ephraim.—Since January Miss Applegate has spent two days each alternate week at Ephraim, thirteen miles distant from Mt. Pleasant, averaging twenty calls each visit. The nucleus of a Home Study Class is secured, which we know under Miss Applegate's skillful management of this work will grow even in this community. Upon the evening of her visit the pastor holds Church service, in which she not only assists but previously has called upon the people inviting them to be present.

Logan.—A year ago Miss Bessie Keller, a graduate of Folts Institute, entered upon the work of missionary at Logan. The Church and its agencies have felt her ability as a teacher and executive officer. Various lines of work have been enjoyed by groups of children. A sewing class with Bible study for a given length of time, taxed the ingenuity of some of the girls to get the sewing without the study, but they finally yielded gracefully to the requirements and the examinations upon the Bible lessons were highly gratifying.

Schools.

Our schools are not large, but they are the open sesame to the homes and give us an influence in the communities for social and religious effort that would rarely be realized through any other agency. Our teachers are as active and pronounced along all lines of Christian endeavor as they could possibly be if they had only the propaganda of their faith as their duty and aim. The question has arisen in my mind—would larger and better results be reached by other expenditure of the money? But when I visit the kindergartens and hear the little ones

repeat the texts of Scripture and sing the gospel songs; when I watch their willing devotion during the prayer, and witness their recreation games, their faces aglow with delight—not full of history but full of prophecy—I am ready to say, this money and effort is well bestowed. These texts and songs will live in the minds and hearts and show forth in the lives of these children, and here is the Christian Church of the future for these beautiful valleys. The same thought is applicable to our graded school work. And the few young men in their teens who are employed during the day, but seek instruction from our teachers in the evening in some advanced study, find an atmosphere of refinement and culture which leaves its impression upon their lives. So would we not better let the great Master do the estimating of values, and in His own good time and way show us the results?

Elsinore.—We have enjoyed at Elsinore, our most Southerly station, the continued service for three years of Miss Lillian Henschen as kindergartner and primary teacher. Two years ago she was joined in the work by Miss Grace Sloan, who had charge of the higher grades. Unusual opportunities and encouragements have come to this station during the year, and these teachers have known how to take advantage of them. Our school has numbered in enrollment about the same as have the other schools, from thirty to thirty-five pupils. Our high school has not grown as we had hoped, but we are not discouraged to the point of relinquishment. But we count as our greatest happiness the fine Sabbath school, and the unusually well attended and helpful Sunday evening services conducted by the teachers. The pastor visits Elsinore during the week, holding service, therefore the Sabbath is entirely open to the missionaries. Thirty-five is the average attendance at Sabbath school, which is well organized into different departments, as such numbers make possible. This condition, against a school of six or eight a very few years ago here, where the opposition has been intense, and, unhappily, has not yet ceased, is worthy of comment. Miss Sloan has a Home Study Class of a dozen, one member twenty-four miles away, whom she has visited once, riding the distance in a private conveyance; and a Cradle Roll of eleven.

Miss Henschen has made music very essential and helpful to our work. Her choir of young people has added much to the effectiveness of all services. Elsinore was especially favored with a spiritual feast Thanksgiving season. The pastor, assisted by the Superintendent of the mission, the District Superintendent and lay workers, beside the resident teachers, held a series of meetings continuing through several days.

Moroni.—In Moroni we have the faithful services of Miss Jennie C. Nickelson and Miss Jeanette Baker. Thirty pupils have been enrolled in the school. Miss Niskelson speaks of her pupils with increasing satisfaction. She says, "If the older ones were not compelled to leave school so early in the year, and, indeed, so early in their lives, to work with their hands, the school would be a delight." Miss Baker's great sorrow is that her kindergarten and primary classes can not all be kept through the grades. For various reasons, known best to those acquainted with the field, many of the children can not be held through this period. These children are, with two or three exceptions, from families of the dominant faith. A happy incident of this school, which means more than we can foresee, is a free will offering from these children for a little boy in our Mothers' Jewels Homes, from Salt Lake, who is supported by the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. The Sabbath school and Sunday evening services have been well maintained. Miss Nickelson has given systematic Bible study, while Miss Baker has given full measure to the Junior Class.

Spring City.—In mid-year the work at Spring City was somewhat interrupted by the resignation of Miss Fitzgerald, who was serving as advanced teacher her second year. We were fortunate in securing to fill the vacancy Miss Iva Dill Murphy, the daughter of our friend, Rev. Wildman Murphy, who carried the work finely. As Miss Murphy desires to pursue further study in an Eastern college, we are happy to announce as her successor Miss Magda Johanson, a graduate of the Collegiate Institute, Salt Lake City.

Miss Irene Henschen is beginning her second year in Spring City as kindergartner and primary teacher. The prompt and regular attendance of her pupils is deserving of congratulation. From this school two were graduated from the eighth grade last year and one this year. Upon this occasion, in May, Rev. Mr. Murphy gave an evening address which was greatly enjoyed by pupils and friends.

When Miss Murphy entered the work, fearing that the accustomed Sunday evening services might be too much of a burden for these comparatively young teachers, I wrote Miss Henschen that they might be discontinued for the remainder of the year if it was their pleasure. But the meetings were bravely and effectively continued, always inviting a good hearing with the most respectful attention.

All special days by our Church as well as all national anniversaries are observed at all of our stations with carefully prepared programs. All of these exercises are greeted with crowded houses.

Frequent changes in the communities give a decided shade of discouragement in our work. Families coming and going—"a constant procession."

Our circulating library greatly needs new books. First, such books as you, friendly reader, would like to see in your own home for the boys and girls. I know you only need a suggestion to help these young people to the valuable friends found in good books. Much literature and many Bibles have been distributed throughout our stations. Of the discouragements and dark days we shall not speak. Most certainly they come to us. No one who is actively engaged in this work need expect to—

"Be carried to the skies
On flowery beds of ease,"

but all who have an unlimited faith in the resources of God and an unfaltering trust in the Divine Leader must see that "the morning dawneth."

It was my happiness to spend five weeks on the field in April and May of this year. All of our properties are in good condition.

For all who have in word or deed, by prayer or praise or gifts, helped this work or these young women to strive for their ideal—and the greater the ideal the heavier the price we must pay for it—we beseech the abiding presence of the Master. There is nothing better to be bestowed and no gift that can make us more valiant and effective co-workers with Him.

Mrs. Bradford S. Potter, *Secretary.*

SPANISH WORK IN NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA.

The close of last year left the Secretary mourning the loss of her associate. She was glad to have Mrs. Ward Platt appointed early in the present year. Her sympathy and increasing knowledge of the department make her valuable. Now we introduce our Associate Secretary, Mrs. Ward Platt, to all friends of Mexican girls.

Harwood Industrial School, Albuquerque, N. M.

(Scholarship, $70.)

The close of the school year was made memorable by the fact that three of our students completed the eighth grade or grammar course. Suitable exercises were held, and the occasion was honored by the addresses of the most advanced educational interests in New Mexico. One of these graduates has entered the Kansas City Training School to prepare for deaconess work among her people. It was a delightful surprise that Rev. S. Alonzo Bright, Superintendent of our Mission Conferences in New Mexico, should see the possibilities that have been a vision for years in the mind of the Secretary. Now that it is being realized there is a joy in the hearts of those who have aided the work. The other two will return for ninth grade work. We add, this year, high school grade to our curriculum. The fact that our girls are awakening to the need and asking for advanced study makes our hearts very glad. Miss Cora E. Blood had much to do in bringing our school to its present excellent condition. She has been a most efficient Superintendent, and as she needs a rest we give her leave of absence. While resting from school work Miss Blood can help the cause by giving intelligence to those who seek to know about the conditions of girls among the Mexicans.

Miss Luella B. Price is now Superintendent, and with an earnest, consecrated force of helpers the work will continue to advance. School opened with forty-three girls, six teachers, a deaconess living in the Home and serving the Church, making a family of fifty. More girls desire to enter. Miss M. J. Tripp will teach Spanish grammar and a class in Bible study as a preparation for further work that will develop.

The city requires that a sidewalk be laid in front of our property. This will be an advantage, as others must do the same. We need gifts of money for this expense.

The opening of a hospital by our Society upon property so recently given for this purpose will open a door for nurses, and who can fit in better than our students so well trained for service? Harwood school for girls, Harwood hospital, and Harwood school for boys make a trio of lights forming an arch through which will pass an army of capable young men and women.

Tucson Industrial School, Tucson, Ariz.

(Scholarship, $70.)

This first year of our school in its own beautiful building began with a large family and very little furniture. Gradually changes have been made by generous friends who have enabled us to purchase chairs, beds, school desks, etc. A furnace has been installed, and many comforts sent for use in the home department. Appeals are coming from many from over the border to be admitted and given a chance. Mrs. Harris mentions a new teacher who is a comfort to her. Julia Morales, a Mexican girl who has been in the States four years, graduating as a kindergartner at Folts' Institute last June, is teaching our little ones and later will have a normal class in kindergarten among the advanced grades. Again the Home and Foreign Missions interlace.

To those interested who desire detail of the work in this school, there are many sidelights shown in our paper for May, 1911. School opened in early September with twenty-seven girls, several more are

coming, and others wait until we are sure of the needed scholarships. The Secretary is especially grateful to those who inform her beforehand of their desire to help girls in the schools.

El Paso, Texas.

Now that the commotion of war so near the border has passed by we must hasten to build. The settlement work is needed. Those who are near to this strategic point for missionary work wonder at our delay. It is hard to be patient when there is such crying need. Time is carrying away many who should be saved. The current of sin and ignorance sweeps past our door, which fails to open for the struggling victims who fain would take a leap for safety and right living. Many pledges have been made. Rooms are being taken in our building as memorials. Mrs. Houchin stands ready to pay $1,000 as soon as we have enough in sight to build. Please, dear friends, write me of your plans to share in this lighthouse at the Gate City.

Mrs. Anna Kent, *Secretary.*

SPANISH WORK ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Frances M. DePauw Spanish Industrial School, Los Angeles, Cal.

There is great reason to thank God and take courage on account of the success that has attended the Frances DePauw Spanish Industrial School during the year now closing. Sixty-one pupils have been enrolled, an average attendance of fifty-six. We have reason also to congratulate the school upon the efficient corps of teachers, and the good work that has been accomplished along their different lines of service. During the winter a revival service was carried on in the church near by, and every girl over ten years of age united with the Church. The fact that out of the fifty-six girls, thirty-four took this stand for Christ, is, I feel, in a great measure, owing to the Bible lessons given in the schoolrooms, and the daily family worship. The girls' sitting room has been fitted out with bookcases, and an addition of several hundred volumes has been made to the library. Twelve periodicals are taken, some of which the older girls greatly enjoy.

Two graduated in June, both expect to go on with their studies in advanced schools, and prepare themselves for work among their own people. The demands of the school for improvements have been greater than for several years. There was such an urgent need for a new laundry, as well as some extra rooms for teachers and also hospital rooms, that we decided it was best to begin the work in time to have the laundry completed by the opening of school. It did not seem expedient to finish the upstairs at present, but the laundry will be completed and the exterior of the building, the expense to be $1,800. I want to thank the Auxiliaries of the different Conferences for the generous manner in which they have responded to the call for help. The increased appropriation granted by the Executive Board has given us the courage to undertake the necessary improvements, but as the larger part of this is conditional, of course it means a good deal of work before it is all secured. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has received from our dearly beloved Mrs. Whitson the bequest of a lot adjoining our present prop-

erty valued at $1,500, to be used as the Society may deem best for the advantage of the school.

As we enter upon the coming year, it is with a trust and confidence in the overruling providence of our Heavenly Father, and believing that this will be the best year of our work, remembering that "all things work together for good to those who put their trust in Him."

MRS. S. S. HOLMES, *Secretary.*

PORTO RICO.

Just a decade ago the Bureau for Porto Rico was organized. For ten years we have been prosecuting our orphanage and day school work, and God's good favor has rested upon our hearts, heads, and hands.

Through the benefaction of our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, Mich., and the liberal gifts of the friends and members of our Woman's Home Missionary Society we own a property worth $26,000, entirely unencumbered by debt. The George O. Robinson Orphanage and Industrial Home for girls is a monument, not only to these friends, but also to the memory of the now sainted Hannah M. Hegeman, who gave nine years of self-sacrificing labor to this cause. Returning to her task after a vacation in the States when she was unequal to the services demanded, she literally fell at her post, though her death occurred in the homeland at the residence of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Bell, of Yonkers, N. Y., on March 11, 1910. Realizing that her condition was serious and her home-coming a necessity, she planned as far as possible for the care of the orphanage until her successor might be appointed. Her enforced removal made it necessary for the Bureau Secretary to go to the island, sailing from New York November 26th and returning December 27th. It seemed strange that Miss Hegeman did not meet us as before, and we were lonely without her presence in our beautiful orphanage. It still seems strange that the mails bring no letters in her clear handwriting, and reports always so carefully prepared. In the lives of the girls who were under her care we pray she may leave her most lasting monument. Surely of her it may be said:

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's passed,
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

The beautiful, quiet funeral service was held Sunday, March 12th, from the home of her sister. Miss Martha Van Marter, Miss Mary Belle Evans, and Miss Alice M. Guernsey represented our Society. A beautiful wreath of galyx leaves was a tribute to her memory from the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

On March 13th, from the Battle Creek Sanitarium, Battle Creek, Michigan, occurred the translation of Lila Thayer Hubbard from earth to heaven, from suffering to reward. From 1902 to 1905 she was Superintendent of our day schools, and did her work so faithfully and well that she endeared herself to all who knew her. Her marriage occurred in our orphanage as in holy wedlock she gave herself to Rev. John Hubbard. Being sent to that lonely Island of Vieques, they bravely took up their united work. Mrs. Hubbard took special delight in assisting in our day school on the Island, and when forced to leave was greatly missed. The day schools will ever bear testimony to her faithful consecration.

During our stay in Porto Rico we secured as girls' governess and assistant teacher of domestic science Miss Anna Maria Rodriguez, a Porto Rican young woman of sweet Christian character. A graduate of the Nurse Training School of the Presbyterian Hospital in San Turce, she was well qualified for her work. She was faithful and true to every service she could render. On September 6th she was taken suddenly ill, and before the sun had set she had passed into the great beyond. She was buried from the orphanage the following day, (an American undertaker prepared her for the long sleep, beautifully), with a beautiful, quiet funeral service, and laid to rest "to await the final summons from on high."

The year has been made sorrowful by these experiences, and yet we do believe God lives and all must be well.

George O. Robinson Orphanage and Industrial Home for Girls.

(Scholarship, $40.)

Upon Miss Hegeman's return to the States, Miss Alice Johnson, of Baltimore, was appointed Superintendent with Miss May Osmond as Assistant Superintendent. We were able to secure Miss Cornelia Holbrook as teacher to assist Miss Osmond in the school work. These two ladies have so reorganized our school work in the orphange that it is now on a par with the public schools of the Island. In the emergency which was upon us we were grateful to secure the services of Miss Eva Carrillo (a Mexican lady educated in Mexico in a school under our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and further in the States as a trained nurse) as teacher of domestic science for one year. All these have rendered faithful service. Miss Johnson and Miss Carrillo will leave the orphanage about December 1st, when Dr. and Mrs. James Murray, of Yorktown, Indiana, will go to take charge of our work. Their daughter, Miss Murray, a teacher, will go with them to assist in the school work.

A number of our girls have reached the age of eighteen, and hence have gone forth to meet life, as its experiences shall come to them. Homes have been secured for some, while others have gone to the care of relatives. Our prayers follow these, our children, that they may be kept in paths of rectitude. The vacancies made by these removals have some of them been filled by younger children. We thank our friends for the support of the past, and ask for continued sympathy and larger funds.

We have many needs for supplies for both the household and girls. Write to the Secretary, and she will gladly give lists of things needed and directions for sending.

Day Schools.

(Scholarship, $15.)

Under the efficient superintendency of Mrs. Dickinson (nee Miss Alice Melchinger) our day schools were reorganized, and have been doing very efficient work. We were permitted to visit these during our stay in the Island, and were delighted and gratified at the progress which had been made. After Miss Melchinger married we received the application of Miss May Osmond for the position thus vacated, and the appointment was made. Miss Osmond has taken up her work, and the four day schools are in good running order.

McKinley Kindergarten.

SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.

Enrollment, sixty; average attendace, fifty. Teachers, Miss May Osmond, Miss Maria Agostini.

Edjubijes Diaz and Maria Silva, two of our older girls from the orphanage are receiving their practical training in this school.

Miss Rosaria is employed at deaconess salary as visitor for this school.

McKinley Kindergarten.

PUERTA DE TIERRA, PORTO RICO.

Miss Agostini, teacher. Enrollment, sixty; average attendance, fifty.

Fisk Kindergarten.

PONCE, PORTO RICO.

Miss Carmen Rodriguez, teacher. Enrollment, seventy-five; average attendance, sixty.

Williams Kindergarten.

VIEQUES ISLAND, PORTO RICO.

Because of isolation and distance from Porto Rico this school has been interrupted in the regularity of its sessions during the last year. It was impossible to secure a teacher who was willing to go and remain. Now, however, Miss Maria Consalez has been secured and will have charge of this school.

The importance of these mission day schools can not be overestimated, and we ask your continued support for them.

Porto Rican Girls at Rust Hall.

Two years ago we brought from the George O. Robinson Orphanage and Industrial Home for Girls Rosa Eloisa Rivera and Mercedes Correa Nunez, and placed them in our National Training School at Washington, D. C. Miss Nunez has completed her course in domestic science, and will return to take the place made vacant by the death of Miss Rodriguez as girls' governess and assistant teacher of domestic science. Miss Rivera will remain at Rust Hall for a further course in kindergarten training. Her ambition is to become a kindergarten deaconess. For her we still solicit help from our friends, and any who desire to assist this worthy young woman so that she may complete her course, may send funds through the regular channels or to the Bureau Secretary. We believe these two young women will do good work for our Society in their Island home. (MRS.) MAY LEONARD WOODRUFF, *Secretary.*

INDIAN WORK IN KANSAS AND OKLAHOMA.

The Pottawatomies, Mayetta, Kansas.

We look back to the time, only a few years ago, when our first workers here had only a tent in which to live, and the language was to them only a jargon of strange sounds. Now, all is changed: We have permanent buildings, and the gospel is preached so that all may understand the life-giving words which fell from the lips of our Lord.

As the blessed Christmas season approaches, when in all the civilized world there is manifest something of the spirit of Him who gave Himself so freely for us, we here are reminded of those who have helped us so faithfully by their prayers and gifts, and without whom our work would not have been possible. We desire to express to each one at this time our warm appreciation and hearty thanks. And may we bespeak the same courtesy for the future. We wish that all our friends could be present at our Christmas-tree festivities, and enjoy with us the children. This past year was the first time our Indian people ever brought gifts for each other, and we noted with pleasure the unselfishness displayed. During the year our splendid Mrs. Naylor had nursed and cared for many sick families, and nearly every one placed a gift on the tree for her.

Our day school promises to be larger than ever before, from forty to forty-five pupils enrolled. Miss Mildred Jones has been secured as teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Naylor will remain for house-to-house visitation, caring for the afflicted ones, conducting Sunday services, in fact whatever their hands find to do. They are both much respected by our Indian friends.

In July we held the first Indian funeral from our mission. A box was draped in black cloth, and the casket rested upon this. Mrs. Naylor washed and dressed the body of the child, placing dainty white ribbons here and there, furnishing flowers from her own garden. She also conducted the music. Brother Martin preached, and Brother Naylor acted as undertaker. Indians came from far and near, and seemed to enjoy the Christian service. Thus you see our workers are called on for all manner of service, and we have workers here who measure up to every emergency.

Our Sunday school is self-supporting, and continues to grow in numbers. On Children's Day Mrs. Naylor and myself took eight of our boys and girls to Holton, Kansas, where the Superintendent gave them a place on the program, and while not one had ever attended a Sunday school outside of our own mission, they certainly did credit to our school by stepping to the platform, each giving a Scripture text and Little William gave a recitation.

We have had a great deal of sickness, and Mrs. Naylor has been exceedingly busy, driving as much as ninety-two miles in one week besides sitting up nights nursing sick mothers and babies.

Our girls love to sew and have been busy this summer making quilts. We greatly appreciate the sympathy and helpful spirit of Rev. Martin, who comes frequently and preaches for us.

Along all lines we feel encouraged and each year shows advancement. Give thanks with us, and continue with prayer that we may be able to occupy the whole field assigned to us so that all who dwell within its borders may know that Jesus saves.

Poncas: White Eagle, Oklahoma.

Recently the chairman of this work visited the reservation, located three miles from White Eagle, Oklahoma, where we found 2,000 Ponca Indians. Rev. A. J. Simms has been connected with this work as our missionary for the past fourteen years. Too much can not be said of his faithful service and beautiful unselfish spirit, for he has literally given himself for these people. Rev. Simms feels that his work is finished at this point, and will resign his position in October.

I am told the Poncas are the hardest tribe to reach with the gospel, and from all I could learn it seemed to me that Brother Simms had done remarkably well in establishing a Church of any size.

Our success at these missions on the reservations depends largely on the kind of man who fills the position at the Agency under the Government, as he can either kill or make our work. We have been very unfortunate at this place because the former Agent was not in harmony with our undertaking. However, the new man in charge at the present time promises us hearty co-operation.

We have a good parsonage and thirty-three acres of land, granted by the Government, on which two splendid springs are located, and just recently oil and gas have been found two miles distant. We hope to secure this thirty-three acres with an unconditional deed from the Government, and have taken steps accordingly.

The Oklahoma Conference owns the church building in which our missionary preaches, and it is very neat and in good repair. We have a thoroughly established Methodist Church, with services on Sabbath, both morning and evening, and a Sabbath school which is self-supporting. On Tuesday evenings Brother Simms has the privilege of teaching the boys and girls at the Government building, and it is a delight to hear them recite the catechism.

In a recent note from Brother Simms he states: "During the past four or five years we have had protracted meetings with more or less success. There have been more than 202 received in Church membership at different times. You may ask what has become of them, that I can not report them now? The mortality among the Poncas has been very great; many have died well and in peace, trusting in the atoning blood. Again, many have moved away to other places. Some of the Ponca boys and girls are at the higher schools, and we trust that when they return they shall not have forgotten their early Christian training which they received at Ponca."

"The record of baptisms shows 210; this includes some infants, but mostly boys and girls from ten to sixteen; also many men and women, Ponca and white. There are eighty-seven marriages recorded; this includes white couples, but nearly all are Indians. Nearly all with few exceptions have remained faithful to their vows, though a few have become so civilized that they have sought the divorce courts of Oklahoma to solve their difficulties. I have attended 125 funerals; some of these people are buried in a little lot east of the mission house, some were campers who had no home, others very poor white people. The Poncas have their own family burying places, though now they are using a cemetery, situated two miles west of the White Eagle Railroad station, on the top of a high hill. With all the drawbacks that the Poncas have had with their management they have made the most wonderful advancement toward civilization of any people."

"The Ponca Indian Government School, coupled with Christian teachings of Mrs. J. M. Dankwardt, Principal, and Miss Helen Colville, teacher, and the influences of the Woman's Home Missionary Society have brought this about.

"The reservation Indians still use the Mescall, having heathenish all-night seances, the Mescall drum never ceasing until the sunrise, when they all are in a beastly state of intoxication and stupor; the greatest injury done is to the boys and girls who may happen to be visiting home or friends on the reservation."

Brother Simms concludes by thanking the Society for so many helps and kindnesses, and shall ever feel grateful to you all.

Mrs. Carrie E. Cope, *Chairman.*

INDIAN AND MEXICAN WORK.

Navajo Mission, Farmington, New Mexico.

(Scholarship, $50.)

A little over a year ago a gift of three thousand dollars enabled us to think and plan for an addition to our overcrowded buildings. As it seemed impossible to enlarge the old building and have a satisfactory arrangement, we planned a separate building 42 x 72 feet, made of cement blocks, three stories high, with a nine and a half foot basement. Yes, with three thousand dollars and plenty of faith that if the work was commenced the cash would come in for the completion of the building some day. When the building is finished we will have in it twenty-seven rooms and eleven closets.

October 1st finds us with the basement completed and occupied—children's and workers' dining rooms, kitchen, coal room, furnace room, storeroom, bake shop, and a small cellar. All the halls, five sleeping rooms, reception room, the girls' dormitory, and the office plastered, ready for the finishing. Yards graded, and many outdoor improvements.

But of course this was not all accomplished with three thousand dollars. Funds have come in, and if as much more comes in during the coming year the entire building will be finished and ready to use by another fall.

The old Home building will be used for boys' dormitory and the interpreter.

There will be a large assembly room and two school rooms in the new building, and when these are completed the schoolhouse, the first floor of which is used for school purposes and the second floor for boys' dormitory, will be added to and turned into a hospital. To be named the "Mary A. Tripp Memorial Hospital," and will be furnished by the Troy Conference.

The need for a thoroughly equipped medical service at the Mission is increasingly felt, and we are glad that we will soon be able to give the medical aid to all that will come to us. As we come in contact with them we see that their greatest need is the Gospel of Christ, and next to that is medical aid. Many of the Navajoes are seeing the folly of employing the medicine men, and recently one of the medicine men in the neighborhood came to the Mission for medicine for his wife. When we get our hospital it will take the sick away from the unclean hogans and the medicine men, and proper care can be given them by our very efficient nurse, Miss Messenger. She is winning their confidence, and she is called upon nearly every day to go to visit some one or to attend to the ones that can come to the Mission.

No record has been made of the work during the year, but during August forty-five persons visited the Mission and medicine was given to thirteen.

The Navajoes take kindly to our ways, and look upon the missionaries as their friends. All the camps within a radius of seven miles have been visited and religious instruction given to about sixty different persons. Many of them coming many times to receive the story.

One child has been buried during the year, an infant brother of our little Myron Simpson.

Mr. Weston, the farmer who has been for several years at the Mission, after an absence of two years has again returned and taken up his

abode at the Mission, and will have charge of the fruit and garden; and under his supervision we hope to raise something on our little ranch that will count. He has set out over two hundred fruit trees, grape vines, and the small berries of all kinds.

Frank Damon has been at the Mission the past year, having been absent for two years. We find it impossible to reach the older Navajoes without a good interpreter, and we are told that Frank is the best one on the reservation. His influence for good is felt by all who know him.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons have been appointed as Superintendents for the coming year and seem to be taking up the work with intelligence, and the prospects look favorable for a very prosperous year. They come to us very highly recommended. Mr. Simmons will assist with the teaching, having charge of the older children, and will take special pains with their physical training.

Miss Bessie Franc Brown will return for her fourth year as teacher. Under her careful supervision the children are mastering the English language and show great improvement.

Friends are responding to our calls and many of our needs are being supplied. Forty barrels were sent to the Mission during the year. A new three-seated carriage, new harness and robes have been purchased. We have been able to buy the third cow, and will now have our own butter and still have milk for the children.

It will take too much space to tell all the good things that have come to us this year, and also too much space to tell the things we still need; but any one willing to assist us this year may receive suggestions from the Bureau Secretary.

We have had twenty-six children in the Home this year. No serious illness has visited the Mission. Nothing more serious than whooping-cough and vaccinated arms. As the children have been better clothed, colds did not result in the troubles of last year.

One of our boys has been troubled with his eyes, and had them treated all the year; but as they became worse, rather than better, trachoma being the trouble, we concluded that it was not safe to have him at the Mission. We are planning to get him into a hospital, where he may be treated and receive proper care, and we hope to save his sight. An effort has been made, by the use of the individual towels this year, to prevent the spread of any skin or eye trouble among the children.

We are planning to take a few more children into the Home this year. Our children go to their hogans for the summer months, but nevertheless the Mission is a busy place all summer. Three women have been kept busy getting the clothing and bedding in order. For the first time, this fall, the children will occupy single beds.

Our workers have a good lot of fruit canned, apple and plum butter, syrups, and vegetables canned, and dried corn for the winter.

This may sound as if we had all we need; but remember, friends, things will wear out, and in such places perhaps faster than in our homes. Remember us as generously as in the past, and help to hasten the time when the efforts of our faithful missionaries will be rewarded by seeing many who have said that they believed in the white man, in the white man's religion—adopting our faith as theirs.

(Miss) Katherine H. Bassett, *Secretary.*

PACIFIC COAST INDIAN WORK.

Nooksack Indian Mission, Everson, Wash.

Our Superintendent, Miss Rouls, writes that in the work of the past year there have been no great strides, but a gradual growth on the part of both parents and children—growth in order and *cleanliness;* and in some particulars this has been so marked that it is an indication of great progress among the Indians.

There have been twenty-four in the day school, and they have taken greater interest than usual in their studies. Two are in the seventh grade this year, and are ambitious to finish the eighth next year. This is a noble ambition for these people.

Five children were placed in the public schools last year and held their own very creditably with the white children. This is quite an achievement, since the ultimate aim is to make them Christian American citizens who can hold their own with their white neighbors in the industrial, educational, and religious affairs of the community.

The parents are showing a greater interest in the school and are feeling their responsibility to a larger extent in the education of their children.

Under Mrs. Anderson's direction the girls have made rapid advancement in their music. One of them is playing for the Sunday school. She has an organ in her own home; so has better opportunity for more practice.

Mrs. Anderson has carried on the field work with great enthusiasm, visiting in the homes and caring for the sick. She has conducted prayer-meetings in connection with the sewing circles, with the mothers in the homes. To make these meetings more easy of access to those who live at a distance from each other, she holds them in four different sections of the community; each one meeting every two weeks.

Throughout the school months Rev. and Mrs. Anderson have held industrial classes for the boys and girls, and night classes for the older ones who desire to attend.

The Sunday school continues to be self-supporting.

Services have been held in one of the Indian homes at Deming (twelve miles away), and recently an organ was purchased and four girls in that neighborhood have begun to take lessons. The new church is being erected on the lot near the schoolhouse, which our Society donated for that purpose; the work all being done by Rev. Anderson and the Indians. When completed it will have an auditorium, a smaller room for social purposes, and a work-room for the boys' club. We need a new organ for the Home and a good water system for protection against forest fires.

We want your prayers and continued help.

Yuma Indian Mission, Yuma, Ariz.

The report of Rev. Crouch for the past year is very encouraging. He says the congregations have ranged from 50 to 150 in attendance. The Sunday school has an attendance of 100. He has baptized seventeen adults and eight infants; the seventeen adults having joined the Church—the firstfruits of the work.

The medical work has more than doubled. We have answered over three thousand calls for medicine, and have made over six hundred medical calls in the homes. We took one sick Indian woman into our Home, and Mrs. Crouch took care of her for 103 days and nights; and I nursed

one young man through a surgical operation. Though the Superintendent has forbidden the people coming to us for medicines and asking me into their homes, they still continue to come in increased numbers.

Our sewing machines were never in such demand as they have been the past year.

Owing to the long delay in the allotment of the land by our Government, the poverty of the people is more severe than ever before. We have distributed among them 1,200 garments and 100 blankets and quilts, which have relieved their suffering to a very great extent. As a tribe these people are not beggars; but hunger and cold have driven them to us for relief, and we have never turned a hungry Indian from the Mission. During the cold weather we served hot coffee and bread on Sunday mornings to all who were hungry. In doing this we have used 800 loaves of bread, 50 pounds of coffee, 10 pounds of tea, and 150 pounds of sugar. Besides this we have given soup, beans, and flour to the poor and sick.

Difficulties: Ignorance, superstition, filth, and Romanism in its most intolerant form, even to the threatening of life and the destruction of property; but these are all being slowly and surely overcome by the manifold gospel that we are bringing to these people.

Needs: We are very much in need of two new sewing machines and money to build a small well-equipped hospital. The medical work has increased to such a large extent that we can not care for the sick as we should unless we can have two or three rooms built, to be used for a hospital.

Won't you help us to do this for these destitute and neglected people? We ask your sympathy and prayers.

Greenville Indian Mission, Greenville, Cal.

We have had a good year at this Mission. Rev. Armstrong reports two conversions recently in the class-meeting and seven among the young people in his probationers' class. We thank the Lord for this and take courage. Mrs. Armstrong as Field Matron has been able to be of much help and comfort to the aged and sick in her visits among them.

They had many more calls for clothing than they could supply, and gave out 240 garments and twenty copies of the New Testament. Rev. Armstrong traveled 400 miles on foot, and by rail 1,275 miles, visiting and preaching among all the settlements, even as far distant as twenty miles.

The winters are long and severe; seven feet of snow last year, and no mail for a month; so we need lots of good, large, warm clothing sent to our missionary, that he may be able to relieve their distress at such times. Remember to send on Western Pacific, via Keddie, Cal.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson, *Secretary.*

CHINESE WORK.

Oriental Home, Washington Street, San Francisco.

(Scholarships.—In Home, $70; in Kindergarten, $15.)

According to the old adage, "All things come to him who waits;" but a more modern aphorism is perhaps truer,—"All things can be, if there are those who think and plan and persist."

Successful achievement has come to the Chinese Bureau and it has been after much thought, careful planning, and long persistence.

We come to you at this time with victory perched upon our banner,

or to speak more exactly, upon our housetop. Our new Oriental Home, so long deferred, has become a reality to be used and enjoyed. It stands "four square" to the world, a monument to the love and generosity of the women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Just a few words of explanation and description. In the readjustment, after the fire had destroyed our old building, the Chinese Bureau, realizing that their work was certain to increase, felt they must have more ground and a larger building. Because of certain equity they felt they had in the old Mission House where the work had been carried on originally, in conjunction with the men's work, an arrangement was entered into with the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, by which that Board very generously deeded to us fifty feet of ground lying contiguous to our forty feet, giving us ninety feet frontage on Washington Street.

The transfer of this property was the cause of our long delay in building. Early last spring, all legal demands being satisfied and the title to the property clear, our building was begun.

It is built of pressed red brick, is sixty-five feet square, and has three stories and a basement. It is a handsome and substantial-looking building. Its interior arrangement is a marvel of convenience and adaptability to our work. Ample provision has been made for all of the various kinds of work that will be carried on under that roof.

We expect to have the dedication, and the week's festivities that will attend it, about Thanksgiving time. Our hope is to have every dollar pledged before that time. To help us do this, our friends who have not made us a pledge will hasten to do so, and those who have pledged before will doubtless be ready to pledge again, for the importance of this great work appeals to all.

No special happenings have come to our girls in the Home during the year. Life has run along in commonplace grooves. They have been comfortable and happy since their removal to Beulah Heights and are laying up abundant health to carry with them into their city life. All of the girls have done well in school and in their domestic duties. Three have excelled in their specialties—Josephine in music, Ah Sue in art, and Ethel in dressmaking. Ah Sue's teachers praise her work and her talent. If she should do no great work, she will at any rate be prepared to teach drawing in the city's Oriental schools, as well as in our own. We are very proud of all of them; they are unusually bright girls. We have had a number of additions to the family this year. Several small children came in, some because of the death of their mother, others because of the training they would receive. One young girl came in a few weeks ago, who had just arrived from China. She had for years been attending a school in China, getting her Chinese education. Her mother has now placed her with us, to receive her American training.

We have only one rescue to record this year. A seventeen-year-old girl, having been sold into slavery of the worst kind, grew very unhappy over it, and finally made her escape with the aid of a friendly Chinese man and one of our workers. She is a very pretty girl and is showing a willingness to learn and a kindliness of spirit that is very gratifying.

Possibly there will not be so much rescue work done in the future, for the fine seive of the Government lets very few girls into the country. Still, it was only two weeks ago that Mrs. Chow, our missionary in Sacramento, told me that a little girl up there that she knew well had just been sold for $550 to a man in San Francisco. The child is only eight years old. We have not located her yet, but every effort will be made to find and rescue her.

The Superintendent of the Home, Miss Carrie G. Davis, has been in the field during a large part of the past year, awakening interest in the cause so near her heart, and getting pledges for the building fund. The work she did was of great value and will be reckoned in something higher than dollars and cents as the years go by.

Missions.

Since our mission school and kindergarten have moved into their new quarters in the building erected by the Board of Home Missions, there has been an increased attendance and interest. Miss Carolina Lee is the efficient teacher, and she finds her opportunities for helpfulness increasing steadily.

Mrs. Chou Lok Shang is our missionary in San Francisco, and also our teacher of Chinese in the school. She is a woman of fine education in Chinese and, withal, a cultured Christian lady. Mrs. Chou has had a great year as missionary and kindergartner in Sacramento. She has prepared five of her children for baptism, and has drawn into Christian fellowship a number of heathen women.

Mrs. Woo Ming in Oakland is very helpful in her visitations and Sunday school work. Miss Reas, the deaconess, who has been serving the work in Watsonville, has had the joy of seeing two of the children she is interested in brought into the Church.

Miss Bankes in Los Angeles has had a busy year. We are expecting a Chinese woman soon from China to take on our missionary work in Los Angeles. The new regulations in regard to landing Chinese girls established by the Government has virtually stopped our work with the steamer girls. The only point of contact we have with them is through Miss Pearson, the deaconess, who visits women of all nationalities held in detention on Angel Island. An invitation for them to visit the Home, should they be landed, is about all we can do, besides giving them testaments and tracts in their own language. What results may come from this scattered seed only eternity will reveal.

Federation and co-operation are becoming the slogan in missionary circles throughout the land. The need of it has been felt on the Coast and has been discussed in the East and the West. The representatives of every Board carrying on work among the Orientals on the Pacific Coast were called together early in the spring, and after two meetings it was decided that a permanent committee be organized, the members of it being named by the respective Boards. The object in the organization is to avoid duplicating the work by the different denominations. To unite the small missions into one strong one, and to in every way carry forward the work with as little waste of money and effort as possible.

No new work will be established without the approval of this committee. This applies more particularly to the missions in the country towns. San Francisco has work for all who are willing to undertake it. Our new Home is not an intrenchment on this compact. There is but one other Home for Chinese girls in the State, or the United States, for that matter, and our work promises to enlarge with the changing attitude of the Chinese toward it.

As we have stated before, the Home will become more and more an educational institution. We are often asked if the training and education we give the girls does not unfit them for life with their own people.

It does not. Those who have been in the Home and have married (for we have some who were trained in the Home who are now grandmothers),

while they live on a higher plane than the uneducated heathen, yet they are filled with a missionary spirit that brings them close to their sisters.

A few years ago, when the wave of Western ideas and the desire for Western education swept over China, a young Chinese man, having a very elemental knowledge of English, yet desiring to exploit it, advertised that he would teach the English language down through the letter "G."

If the letter "G" stands for good girls, full of grace and godliness, then we want to educate them up through the letter "G." We feel that it is of the utmost importance that these girls be given the sort of learning that exalts faith and character. Our desire is that, while our new building will increase our facilities to properly educate and fit our girls for useful lives, it will also minister to every Chinese girl and woman in Chinatown who needs our ministry. When our hearth-fires are lighted, we hope their glow may penetrate to many dark and saddened hearts and there "kindle the flame of sacred love." MRS. J. E. PIATT, *Secretary.*

JAPANESE AND KOREAN WORK ON THE PACIFIC COAST AND HAWAII.

As the brightness of the sun is often dimmed by the passing cloud, only to seem brighter when the sky is clear again, so the past year has been marked in the work for the Japanese and Koreans on the Pacific Coast and Hawaii, flecked with the sunshine and shadow of hope and discouragement; yet, with all this variableness, we can see the Father's smile has been upon it all.

At the Susannah Wesley Home in Honolulu the capable Superintendent was away for several months. On her return trip from the Annual Meeting held in Buffalo, she was taken seriously ill at Cleveland, Ohio, and underwent several serious operations. Too much appreciation can not be expressed by this Bureau for the very skillful and generous treatment tendered Miss Mack at our Methodist St. Luke's Hospital by the Superintendent, Dr. Ward Beecher Pickard, and his assistants, and the ladies of the Missionary Societies of Cleveland. Returning to her work in March and finding much that needed her attention, she overworked and was granted a year's leave of absence, but ere she left the work her hand was sought in marriage by Mr. Howard M. Chandler, and on August 12th, in Kansas City, our Superintendent of Susannah Wesley Home for the past five years became a happy bride, while the smile of approval and the heartfelt congratulations of the Bureau was extended, yet a cloud obscured the sun for a time, as no one was known who could take charge of this important field. The work had been held and guided by the consecrated mother of the Superintendent during these months of absence, and the same hand is still willing to hold the fort until a permanent worker can be secured. One who has been highly recommended comes to us, but, before sending to so distant a field, is being tried in the Ellen Stark Ford Home in San Francisco, and, if satisfactory, will sail for Honolulu in a few months' time.

The Susannah Wesley family numbers thirty-three, all but three, who are too young, attend the grammar schools. During the past year one of our Korean and one of our Japanese girls have been united in marriage to two of the most successful ministers on the Islands, and knowing the ability of these girls, we look forward with pleasure to their success in the work of the Master. Another one has entered the National

Training School in San Francisco, in order to fit herself for work in Korea, and thus the blessed work goes on.

The work in the Ellen Stark Ford Home in San Francisco is very gratifying. This family numbers thirty-four, with fourteen under the age of five years, seven of them babies who can not walk. The past year we have had Miss Lamb, one of our deaconesses, in charge, until the Superintendent chosen—Mrs. E. J. B. Whitson—was able to take charge, but who now has given place to Mrs. Clark, who is acquainting herself to the work in order to take charge of the Home in Honolulu. During the year seven of the girls have joined the Church on profession of faith, and seven more are in the probationers' class. Our oldest girl is attending the McDowal School for dressmaking and is making fine progress. At Christmas her younger sister will enter high school and all the girls are praised by their teachers for their deportment and studious habits. A school for the Japanese language is being taught in the Home, and the efficient teacher, Mr. Shimijaki, says the work done by the older girls would do great credit to any high school pupil. A class for the Korean language is also taught, besides a kindergarten school, taught by Miss Rockwood, with a class of thirty little tots. Thus our work at present is largely among the children. There still remains on the property of this Home a debt of $2,000. We earnestly appeal to the friends of this work in the different Conferences to help us liquidate this debt.

Since the immigration station has been located at Angel Island, with comfortable quarters for those detained until their landing has been granted, there is no need for our workers to meet the steamers, for the Government officials attend to all marriages; but our work has been recognized by them when, by our co-operation, we can be of assistance, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society has also been granted the privilege of placing a worker on the Island to work among all immigrants.

The Jane Couch Memorial Home in Los Angeles, 1350 South Burlington Avenue, beautiful in location and architecture, the generous gift of Mr. and Mrs. Couch, is ably presided over by Miss Mable Anderson, who has had charge of the work from its beginning. Since opening the Home, forty women and children have been for a shorter or longer time members of her family, and a warm welcome always awaits Miss Anderson as she visits from house to house the families in their homes, showing her love for her Japanese sisters by her many acts of sympathy and kindness, and who in return for her loving kindness love her, and thus our workers are sowing the gospel seed by their Christlike lives, and bye and bye will come the harvest. For the proper support and carrying forth of this work we should have at least $100 per month. while we have only been receiving $25 per month. This is entirely inadequate for this growing work. Will not the friends take Los Angeles upon their hearts and make some special gifts?

Since our last report a new work has been organized in the city of Seattle, Wash. A piece of property has been purchased on the sightly corner of Eleventh and Terrace Streets, lot 50 by 120 feet, with a modern eight-room house and finished attic. This Home has been named the Katherine J. Blaine Home, in honor of the sainted mother of one of our leading laymen of Seattle, and will meet a much-felt need, as there is a large Japanese population in Seattle. Miss Robinson, formerly of the Jesse Lee Home, has accepted the Superintendency and Miss Kinagasa, who has been Rev. Yoshioaka's helper for some time, did excellent work in the Home until her recent departure for Japan. The Home was opened June 1st and has now a promising family of six, one being a dear little girl who has lost her mother by death. Many have already

availed themselves of the comforts of the Home as their transient home. The good ladies of our Methodist Churches of this growing city on the Sound, led by Mrs. Harry E. Wilson, Chairman of the local committee, have entered heartily into this work, which is already giving signs of great usefulness. This is a work which must receive your earnest consideration. My dear sisters, I sincerely hope you will remember this work in your prayers and then, when making your pledges, vote as you pray, and thereby extend the Master's Kingdom.

As we look over the work which has been accomplished during the past year, we thank God for all that has been done, and with His help and in His strength, ever remembering the promise our Master has given us, "Lo, I am with you always," with our eyes steadily set upon Him, we will press forward, trying to do our part to hasten in the glad day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdoms of our God, and He shall reign from the rivers even unto the ends of the earth, when all nations shall know and learn to serve Him whose right it is to reign in every heart. MRS. C. B. PERKINS, *Secretary.*

ALASKA.

Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska.

(Scholarship, $60.)

In presenting the Alaska report this year it is earnestly desired that the same kind and liberal interest that our good women have always had in the past toward this work may be maintained; for, truly, these poor natives are in need of the gospel's saving grace and material help.

Our missionaries are laboring to improve the surroundings and are teaching the native women how to take care of their homes and children and keep the village clean, and to co-operate in the work of the Government if possible.

On the Aleutian Islands the condition of the natives in some cases is deplorable; they are fast dying of starvation, disease, and a general hopeless inertia. On one of these islands there remain only thirty-six or thirty-eight souls, half starved and thinly clad, more or less afflicted with disease, and unless something is done very quickly they will be past earthly help. It is with the greatest difficulty these natives keep from starvation; their only food being fish. In the past the fur-bearing animals were depended upon for food and clothing; they traded the furs and received shoes and clothing. The blue and white fox and seal otter are fast being exterminated, and unless something is done at once the native population of these islands will be extinct. The Government has provided schools, but has done nothing to aid the natives along industrial lines whereby they might earn a means of livelihood.

And it is not only the Aleutes, but the hardy Eskimos also are fast succumbing. Their tribal relations are being broken up, and they are losing their primitive instincts of preservation; and where they have settled near the larger towns their condition is pitiable, and many are facing starvation. It is of vital importance that the Christian people of the United States urge a human policy toward these people, or there will be need of a writer that can tell a far worse and sadder story of these people than Helen Hunt Jackson ever did of our own Indians here in the States.

Late this fall fifty Eskimos were brought from Nome on the revenue

cutter *Thetis* and placed on Unamak Island, where it is supposed there are a few caribou in the mountains. Already the winter snows had set in, and these people—some of them with families—have to make their shelter from the weather and depend upon these caribou for food. It is hoped the Government will gather the few natives on the farther islands of the Aleutian chain and put them on one of the larger ones, probably Unalaska, and there provide some kind of industrial work for them and establish a hospital or some means whereby their health can be cared for. A powerful wireless station is to be constructed next year, with a radius at night of fifteen hundred miles, and of eight hundred in daytime. There has been a small station put there this summer.

Millions of dollars have been taken from Alaska this season, from gold and copper ores and from the fish industry, many times more than the price paid to Russia for the Territory, to say nothing of coal and furs; and yet the condition of the natives is getting worse all the time, while their rightful heritage is being wrested from them. It is hard to tell these people that Jesus loves the most humble, and that He loves us all, and then boldly take their very living from them. O, let us, as Christians, do what we can, learn the truth about Alaska, and use our influence with our statesmen at Washington to look into the matter!

Jesse Lee Home this year has thirty-seven children. William Bayliss, our eldest boy, is now in the Cushman Trades School, at Tacoma; and how proud you all would be if you could see this product of your aid! He is a splendid boy, and all who meet him are won by his fine bearing and manners. He is a good student and so well liked by pupils and teachers. Over a hundred and sixty children have come under the influence of Jesse Lee Home during the past, and several of these have passed home claiming Christ as their Savior. Over sixty are doing well, and most of them living Christian lives that would stand the most rigid examination. The girls make good wives and mothers and good housekeepers, and the boys and men good workers and kind husbands. Many are keeping away from drink and gambling, and to do this they must make a good fight. Their temptations would tax the moral strength and principles of many a person from civilization that has generations of precept and example and Christian training back of him.

When we know so much of the injustice that is practiced just because we are stronger than they, can we claim we are a Christian nation and believe in the great "brotherhood of man?"

The Board has been very kind to this work this year, and the Secretary is grateful for their letters of encouragement and cheer. To those who have not received answers to their letters as promptly as they might wish, indulgence is craved, and during the coming months all will receive letters.

The Secretary has personally bought during the year all kinds of things, from razors to coal, lumber, water pipes, pumps, shoes, clay and terra cotta pipes, instruments, paints, and anything you might mention among the necessities of life. Several tons of freight were gotten together to send out on the revenue cutter, and not a dollar was paid out for freight, docking, or wharfage, and very little for cartage. This does not seem much in writing; however, it means many steps up and down the water front of Seattle and Tacoma, and much personal work. All this, with the regular work of the Bureau, and the regular home work and interest to be kept up, means little time left for home duties or ordinary letter writing. The finances are in good condition. There are a few things needed very badly, and some repairs must be done soon. A new water plant is an imperative need at once. It is a crime to have fifty or more people depend upon a small hand-pump for water in such a windy

country, where the danger of fire is imminent all the time, and in cold, stormy weather this pump will freeze in spite of all precautions; then all the water has to be carried from the river through a biting, cold wind, which makes this part of the work a sore trial to the Superintendent and teachers. Three hundred and fifty dollars would give us a good little pumping engine that would put water on both floors of the buildings and give a much better fire protection, and later, with a few more dollars, give light in the Home instead of the dangerous lamps now used. I earnestly hope some good brother or sister will see this plea and help us get this pumping plant in time to send it on the revenue cutters in the spring, so that it may be installed for next winter's use.

Our hearts are sincerely thankful and full of gratitude as we look back upon the year, which in the beginning seemed to hold insurmountable difficulties. Our Heavenly Father has turned them into joy and remembered us all in His own good time with the things we needed most, which were a good man and woman to take charge of the work at Unalaska. We surely have great cause to rejoice because Dr. A. W. Newhall and his good wife, who know better than any one else the work needed there, have consented to go to this isolated field in the Master's work.

I wish it was possible to have all read their letter telling the Secretary they would go back again to Alaska, leaving their darling little boy in Boston, their cozy home and all dear to them in this earthly world. The Secretary earnestly hopes and prays that larger pledges for salary may be received by our good Treasurer for this self-sacrificing couple.

Alaska is a most difficult field, where for months the workers do not hear from the outside world in the winter time, and at most but once a month; where the coming of a boat closes the school and all the town goes to the wharf, hurrying to get their mail, to quickly read and answer, if possible, the most important letters, because the boat is there for only a short while, sometimes not more than two hours.

These islands are bleak, bare, dark, gloomy, and wind and rain-swept for nearly every day in the year, and the roar of the sea is scarcely ever still. Here our workers are giving their time and strength and talents to benefit the lives of these people.

The happy letters received by the Secretary since Dr. and Mrs. Newhall took charge have made our heart rejoice, telling how glad the people of the village are because of their return. One man who had heard of the doctor coming back, and who lives on an adjacent island miles below Unalaska, where the boat makes a stop before reaching the Mission, came in his little skin-boat and climbed over the side of the vessel to catch a glimpse of the returning workers, and was so abashed when he came face to face with them that he was speechless. The doctor spoke to him, and he was so pleased and showed his delight in his face; and the children, too, at the Mission, all seemed so happy to see Dr. and "Mamma" Newhall.

And now a word about your boxes and barrels that you are to send in this year.

Have them ready, if possible, so they can be sent to Seattle or San Francisco, whichever place is nearest to you, by April 15th; *no later*. The revenue cutters sail only in the spring; and to send our things on them, they must be there on time. Prepay your freight as far as either of the above points, and send a card to Mrs. J. H. Parsons, 3507 Sixth Avenue, Tacoma, Wash., telling her when you shipped your goods, whether by way of Seattle or San Francisco, and where from, together with a list of things sent. She will then attend to sending on to Alaska.

These shipping directions are only for things sent to *Jesse Lee Home*, and the Seattle address used when that port is nearest. We would think all

goods coming from the Eastern, Middle, North, and Northwestern States should be sent by way of Seattle. Goods coming from the South, California, Nevada, Arizona, should be sent by way of San Francisco, under the same shipping directions as for Sinuk boxes, except to put on them, "For Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska;" otherwise they would go to Sinuk, or perhaps some other mission. Address those sent by way of Seattle, "For Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska; in care of the Seattle Transfer Co., Seattle, Wash."

And now, dear sister workers, we thank all many times who have helped us in the past, and ask your prayers for Alaska teachers, natives, children, and the white folks, too, and for the Secretaries; and especially for Sinuk and our much-needed beginnings at Nome.

MRS. J. H. PARSONS, *Secretary.*

Hilah Seward Industrial Home, Sinuk (Nome P. O.), Alaska.

(Scholarship, $60.)

For the tender care of our Heavenly Father for our work and workers in this isolated station we are devoutly thankful. The help given by many kind friends is much appreciated, and we pray that their interest may not lag, but that they may continue to help mitigate the wrongs done to these simple-minded, eager-to-learn natives of Northwestern Alaska, where the only crop raised is reindeer moss, and the only domestic animals are wolf-like dogs and reindeer.

Our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Baldwin, seem well adapted to the work in this difficult field. All our hearts were touched with tender sympathy when they lost their baby boy, who was doubly welcome in that home in that lonely field. Their hearts were left with an aching void, but they have continued to work with undaunted courage.

While the work is developing satisfactorily, it is not just in the way anticipated. We are glad that we have established a small industrial Home, which now has eleven children, ranging in age from three to fifteen, being trained to be useful Christian Eskimos, not Americans. But we hardly expect to need a large home, for we are learning that Eskimos, unlike the other natives of Alaska, are clannish, and will care for the children of a deceased friend as for their own (often in a very poor way, to be sure). They are only learning how to value the training given in our Hilah Seward Industrial Home and Orphanage. It was expected that many of the King Islanders would move over to Sinuk this year, and three families have so decided. The Roman Catholic priest at Nome, Father Fortune, is very aggressive and seems to have no lack of funds. He had as good a house as there is in Nome built in that town for the chief of the King Islanders to use every summer, and the first boat that left Nome last spring was Father Fortune's, carrying medicines and supplies to the King Islanders, lest, owing to their isolation during the long winter, they had been in need. Naturally many of them will be won to Catholicism.

THE CHAPEL.—The chapel which last year Mr. Baldwin thought was a necessity he decided was needed less than a storm-shed and store-room and a laundry; so the building of a chapel was postponed and the smaller buildings erected.

THE NEW JERSEY.—A gasoline engine for our missionary boat was sent out last spring by the first boat leaving Seattle for the North, so that it could be used amid ice floes and when winds are contrary. The natives at Sinuk having nothing but little skin-boats, had never been able to hunt large game; but on the first trip with the *New Jersey,* after the engine

had been installed, they secured eight walruses, each weighing about a ton. Mr. Baldwin says this success seemed to give them new life and hope. It also emphasized the need of a cold storage cellar, so that the game secured in summer may be preserved for use in the winter. The Government school teacher recently sent to Sinuk is a Methodist, and at once went to work to help Mr. Baldwin and the natives prepare the cellar ready for use next summer. In the latter part of August a Government vessel went ashore at Cape Prince of Wales, and a call was sent for the *New Jersey* to come to rescue the supplies on board and deliver them to the missions and schools for whom intended. In a letter from Captain Backland, received October 16th, he says: "The *New Jersey* is a great success. It will prove a blessing to the natives and should bring some income to the Mission." Dr. John Parsons, Superintendent of Methodist Missions, was taken from Nome to Sinuk on the *New Jersey* last August and is enthusiastic in writing of the usefulness of the boat. His week's visit at Sinuk was much enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, whose work he commends.

Reindeer.—The income from the sale of male deer has more than met the expenses for the support of the apprentices for the past two years. This industry is doing much to prevent the Eskimos from becoming paupers, as has been the case with so many Indians. As each apprentice receives a certain number of deer at the end of a year's service, our herd does not increase as fast as we could wish. Some have died, and others strayed; but on the whole the reindeer industry is a great boon to the Eskimos. While twenty years ago there was not a reindeer in Alaska, there are now about 28,000. Of the nearly $40.000 income from the sale of reindeer products in 1910, .over two-thirds was received by the Eskimos. The aim being to have each native family own a small herd of deer, no white man is allowed to purchase one at any price.

Nome.—Earnest efforts have been put forth by the Bureau of Education and by missionaries to induce the Eskimos to leave Nome, where temptations are many and conditions unfavorable for their uplift; hence no regular mission for natives has been established in Nome. But this year the hope of getting the Eskimos to remove from the town has been abandoned. The Government officials, Christian men, want a Protestant mission opened; and as we have the only native mission in the vicinity of Nome, they look to us to enter this open door and urge that we undertake it at once. *We must not be recreant to our duty,* or others will take our crown; so, in order to "hold the fort" and get the information needed before opening a mission, we decided for this year to simply extend Sinuk work to Nome, a kind of settlement work, with the hope of establishing regular work next year. To aid Mr. Baldwin in this, Miss Harriet L. Barnett, so long an efficient worker in Jesse Lee Home, left Seattle for Nome in September, arriving safely. She will, in a rented room, hold services, teach the children, visit the homes, and try to help women and girls, whom white men seem to claim as their lawful prey. Do not forget this lone worker in that frontier city, but remember that she is our representative, trying to carry out the Savior's commission. Write her occasionally, send her a magazine or some interesting story or article, anything to let her know that she is not forgotten, but has your sympathy and prayers.

Needs.—Bibles, Testaments, and other books; toys and clothing for the children; second-hand, good, warm clothing for men, women, and children, which Mr. Baldwin sells to these poor people at a small figure; payment being made in work. In this and every way are we trying to help the natives without pauperizing them. Towels, bed and table linen, knives and forks, spoons, small rugs, quilts and blankets, in fact anything

useful for the Home at Sinuk, or for furnishing rooms for our workers at Nome will be appreciated. *Money* always.

NOTE.—In order to save freight charges from San Francisco, all boxes and barrels must be in that city by April 1st; freight charges prepaid. Address Mr. W. F. Baldwin, Sinuk Mission, Nome, Alaska; care of Purchasing Officer, Revenue Cutter *Service,* Appraiser's Building, San Francisco, Cal., and please remember to put your name and address on the outside of the box as well as inside.

MRS. R. H. YOUNG, *Assistant Secretary.*

IMMIGRANT WORK.

Immigration, as one of our National problems, has not lessened in importance during the past few years. The very word itself is freighted with obligation and responsibility.

Our noble President Abraham Lincoln in two of his messages to Congress referred to immigration as one of our National blessings. The incoming of millions of aliens has made possible the phenomenal growth of our great Nation.

At the same time our gates are so wide open that with the influx of so vast a multitude, like "the great draught of fishes," there come the good and the bad—all kinds—some very objectionable.

The incoming of mixed races of people, vastly different in morals, habits, and customs from our own, is a serious matter, and one that requires thoughtful and prayerful attention.

We will affect them. Shall it be with good, or shall they copy the evil, as they most surely will if left to themselves?

Thoughtful people are more and more feeling that the immigration problem, which has been growing in importance for many years, takes on an additional seriousness from the fact that the large proportion now comes from races differing radically from the Teutonic and Celtic stock of former years.

The improbability of assimilation is a real menace. In the transplanting of the alien to these shores the conditions are so different, the standards of living are higher, and he must needs improve physically, mentally, and morally.

The Commissioner of Immigration in his report for 1910 says: "The reason for the enormous increase of immigration from Southern and Southeastern Europe is, to a large extent, stimulated, artificial. Hand to hand with it (as a part, indeed, of the machination of the promoters, steerers, runners, sub-agents, and usurers more or less directly connected with steamship lines, the great beneficiaries of immigration) plans are run for the exploitation of the immigrant classes, which often result in placing upon our shores large numbers of aliens, many of them worse than destitute, burdened with obligations. Pitiable is their condition, and pitiable it must remain unless good fortune enables them to meet their debts and yet maintain a decent living."

At No. 72-74 Marginal Street, East Boston, the Immigrants Home is about to be torn down and a new four-story brick structure is to take its place. The plans are most wisely made for a commodious, well-fitted building adapted to the use of the work. Rooms are to be named; some for five hundred, others for three and two hundred dollars. Fifty dollars will name a bed. One dollar will buy a brick. They need the sum of $25,000. Aid quickly, and your gifts will greatly bless. *Help us to build.* Mrs. Amanda C. Clark is the missionary.

The Immigrant Girls' Home at No. 9 State Street, New York City,

is in a most commendable condition. The rooms are neatly kept, the furnishings are in good condition, the parlors are attractive. Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk gave them a new piano, for which they are deeply grateful.

Miss Alma Mathews and Mrs. Emma Micheli are each doing nobly. Miss Mathews' daily visits to the Ellis Island Station are beyond praise; the good she accomplishes is inestimable.

At the Philadelphia port the work is done by a deaconess, Miss Amanda Ford. She visits the two landing places, making hundreds of visits to the stations. She also pays hundreds of visits during the year to the Philadelphia Hospital, where the sick are detained for treatment. She has the confidence and trustworthy esteem of the officials and is allowed to render much-needed ministrations to those kept in the Detention House for deportation or other reasons. A case has come under the observation of our workers where a young Irish girl has been induced to come to this country under representations that were entirely false—a forged priest's name; a pseudo-aunt, who afterward confessed to the lie; every trick and dark contrivance to elude the care of our workers, to the ruin of the girl—without success.

At each station supplies of clothing, toys, tea and sugar, malted milk for the babies will be very useful.

Statistical Report.

New York Immigrant Home.

Number of ships met	1,058
Number of passengers aliens	721,745
Number of new arrivals taken in	350
Number of meals served	18,683
Number of lodgings furnished women	6,518
Number of girls sent to friends	205
Number of situations secured	141
Number of letters written to friends of the girls	1,398
Number of telegrams and phone messages sent	79
Number of nationalities	11
Number of Bibles distributed	Many
Number of tracts and leaflets distributed	Many
Number of letters and postals written	1,398
Number of garments distributed	Many barrels

Immigrants' Home, East Boston, Mass.

Steamers and trains met	102
Lodgings furnished	3,232
Meals served	9,632
Women	297
Children	41
Men	248
Catholics	55
Protestants	531
Situations secured	26
Telegrams and telephone messages sent	593
Letters and postals written	497
Tracts and papers distributed	1,046
Garments distributed	882
Girls sent to friends	71
Times represented the work	46
Helped on the piers	1,543
Stayed in the Home without lodgings	371
Nationalities	13

IMMIGRANTS' HOME "ANNEX," CHARLESTOWN, MASS.

Meals served		1,263
Lodgings furnished		456
Totals for Home and Annex: Meals served		10,895
Lodgings furnished		3,688
Helped on the piers	1,543	
Stayed in the Home over night	929	
Stayed in the Home one day (no lodging)	371	
Grand total assisted		2,843

GIRLS' HOME, PHILADELPHIA.

Number of ships met	134
Number of passengers	19,111
Number of meals served	2,905
Number of families aided	1,601
Number of girls sent to friends	2,913
Number of situations secured	5
Number of nationalities	41
Number of Bible distributed	28,821
Number of tracts and leaflets distributed	2,100
Number of toys, dolls, games distributed	569
Number of garments distributed	215

MRS. C. W. BICKLEY, *Secretary.*

CITY WORK.

Elizabeth E. Marcy Home, 1335 Newberry Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Marcy Home is emerging from what seemed to us to be two calamities, one of which was the loss of our Superintendent because of illness, and the other the change in Chairmen of the Marcy Home Committee.

The present Chairman, with the stimulus of the faithful work of her predecessors and with some knowledge of the great need for earnest, prayerful service, presents this report of the present state of the work and plans for the future.

Miss Bertha Brown, our Superintendent, comes well equipped for the work from Pittsburgh, where she had been actively engaged in Young Women's Christian Association work.

There are ten resident workers, with as many non-resident, besides a number of others who assist in the evening classes.

Our dispensary is open every afternoon except Sunday, where an average of about 600 patients are treated per month. A resident interne is a most valuable help in this work.

In the night classes seventy-five enrolled the first week. These classes are held four nights in the week and are made up of Jewish young men and women.

We have our Bohemian Sunday school on Sunday morning, with an average attendance of seventy-five, and our Jewish Sunday school on Saturday afternoon. We have sewing classes, music classes, mothers' clubs, Boy Scouts, and various other things we hope to work out during the coming winter.

Our outing work has been very successful, as has also our summer kindergarten, which we carried on for the first time and which had an average attendance of twenty-five. There were eight Christmas treats during Christmas week, a Washington's Birthday party by the Queen Esthers, who also dressed dolls to go in a Christmas box for one of our mountain schools for girls.

ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE WORK.

We have two very efficient workers in the mining districts at Spring Valley, Ladd, and Peru, Ill.; also a worker at South Chicago—an accomplished young Italian woman for our city mission work (Italian)—and a large Italian kindergarten in charge of a competent director. We have also an Italian worker in Joliet. In Lincoln Street Institutional Church we support one worker, who is Superintendent of the splendid industrial departments.

We would like to mention all departments of work, but time will not allow. Come and see us, and see us at work. So we only mention the machinery with its purpose to save folks for God and country. Help us to make this machinery accomplish this purpose by your earnest prayers and financial aid.

Since last we met we have said farewell to our Mrs. Marcy. What a heritage she has left us!

A memorial service was held the second Sunday in February at Marcy Home, at which two addresses were made and Mrs. Marcy's hymn, "Out of the depths to Thee I cry," was sung by two of our Bohemian girls. Truly it *is* out of the depths of "Chicago's Ghetto" the cry is made to *you,* "Come over and help us!"

(MRS.) MARGARET A. HUBBELL, *Chairman.*

Glenn Industrial Home.

641 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Glenn Home has been doing a good work this past year; the Home has been full to overflowing with girls in whose welfare we have been deeply interested. These girls come from the surrounding country to find work in our city, some returning year after year, and find our Home a protecting arm about them. This is the main work of Glenn Home, boarding these girls for $3 a week and giving them the privilege of looking after their own laundry. Our present building is not large enough; so it will be necessary to rent a flat across the street. Had we double the accommodations, we could still have a Home full to overflowing.

Mrs. Given, our Superintendent, is a true mother. As the special days of the year come round she always carefully plans for special features of entertainment to hold the girls in the Home, though she never forgets the spiritual side of life. Morning services are always held, and when she must of necessity be absent, the girls themselves conduct the devotions.

IMPROVEMENTS.—The Cincinnati Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society gave us $100 with which to refurnish our kitchen. New linoleum and a new gas stove have been bought, new paint put upon the walls, and the entire kitchen is now in good sanitary condition. Through the generosity of Mrs. Dymond new gas grates have been placed in other parts of the house, and the entire Home is in first-class condition.

OUR WORKERS.—Miss Laura Jamison has been with us two years and given most efficient and faithful service. Miss Jamison was compelled to

lay down her work, much to our regret and her own sorrow, owing to ill-health, and Miss Betty worked earnestly to keep the classes going, both at the Mission and at Riverside.

KINDERGARTENS.—The enrollment of Glenn Home Kindergarten was fifty-six last year. The teacher, Miss Wolfer, often sees the tragic side of life in her visits into the homes of the children. The special holidays of the year are observed in the kindergarten, the Thanksgiving party being particularly notable. While at the bountiful table, one small boy remarked, "It 's just like a big people's party." Each child contributed to a basket of good things to be taken into some needy home; thus the spirit of giving was inculcated. Christmas cheer was abundant, through the kindness of many friends; and while the little ones enjoyed their own gifts and beautiful tree, each one had made some little token for the home folks and was happy in the spirit of giving. The death-angel found its way into the midst of these little ones more than once, and some of the bright eyes were closed in the last sleep.

The Mission kindergarten, presided over by Miss Faith, had its full quota of little ones, with all the happy and sad incidents that go to make up the child-life. Several delightful outings were enjoyed, but the one most prominent in the minds of the children was the visit to the Zoo through the kindness of Mrs. Fleischmann. The attendance at this Kindergarten was large, but the children were smaller than in the Glenn Home, and Miss Faith said at one time she almost "despaired of teaching them how to walk;" but, like all things she undertakes, she accomplished this also. These little ones, too, made their Easter and Christmas remembrances for the parents and enjoyed the making.

The mothers' clubs in connection with both kindergartens have been a great uplift to the tired mothers, and they in turn have done a number of really practical things towards the keeping of the kindergarten rooms bright, clean, and cheery. Many talks have been given by friends; these have been both educational and instructional, as well as spiritual.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The Sunday school has been well attended, and through the generosity of friends all needed supplies have been purchased. The school is graded and the increase in attendance was gradual, but quite noticeable.

The Friday night meetings were always interesting, sometimes attended by adults only, again by many from the Sunday school.

Easter was a great day, and after the services the shut-ins were remembered with the beautiful flowers donated. The Loyal Legion program was rendered in May, the pledge cards presented, and many signed by the boys and girls.

INDUSTRIAL CLASSES.—We were more than pleased by the interest manifested by the girls. Some of the girls from the suburban Churches were most helpful in teaching the needed lessons in plain sewing and cooking.

BOYS' CLUB.—Mr. Steve Westfield, of Fairmount, was most helpful, and Miss Jamison stated she believed the "boy problem" would sooner be solved by the Scout Movement than by any other. A company of these was formed and did good service during the latter part of the year. It is a movement which appeals to the boy nature.

QUEEN ESTHERS.—These numbered twenty and held some very good meetings. When we consider the homes whence come our mission boys and girls, the missionary well says, "It seems their small gifts will be recorded by God's angel as the greatest laid on the altar." We can not estimate the good that is done, for we do not grasp its far-reaching influence. We can only sow the seed and trust to the Master for the harvest.

Supplies.—Total number of garments sent in during the year, 2,690. Total cash supplies, $786.39.

Expense of Home.—Total receipts from all sources, $4,004.06. Disbursements, $4,004.06.

Treasurer's Report.—August 1, 1910, to August 1, 1911, total receipts from General Treasury, through special gifts, etc., $2,782.76; disbursements, $2,736.16; balance, $46.60.

Mrs. D. Jewell Durrell, *Chairman.*

HULL STREET SETTLEMENT AND MEDICAL MISSION DISPENSARY, 36 HULL STREET, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS.

Medical Mission.

Doing things which seem impossible is one of the glories of life. A stranger visiting the slums of our great cities; seeing the streets with swarms of men, women, and children, their foreign faces, dress, and language; looking into the dark alleys, where the high walls shut out even a ray of sunlight; seeing the unkempt women gossiping in the streets, and the tenements where men, women, and children are crowded like animals, says, "It is impossible to elevate these people, to teach them American ideas."

Then, right here, the settlement worker comes and says, "With God all things are possible," and with the spirit of Christ in her heart shows these foreign people that she is their friend—teaches them in their homes and at the clubs. As results from this kind of work Medical Mission and Hull Street Settlement points with pride, and justly, to strong young men and women of our city's slums.

To live and work in the slums has much to repel one; yet some writer has said,

"On the mud and scum of things
There always, always, something sings."

So we believe and know, if you enter this work with the right spirit you will soon hear the singing. Sit in our waiting-room at the Medical Mission, see the diseased men, wan and weary women, and ill-fed children. If you draw yourself away from them, that is all you will see; but talk with them, show them your sympathy and friendliness, you'll hear the singing.

During the year 13,694 treatments have been given the foreign people of Boston's North End in our clinics and on the district. Of these 4,583 were new patients; 477 free cases. There have been 204 obstetrical cases: 297 operations have been performed. Calls by doctors and nurses, 5,897.

Plans are perfected whereby our training school is to be discontinued, and the nurses from the hospital at Newburyport, Mass., are to come to us for their district and dispensary work. This, we believe, is a step in the right direction. A clinic for dentistry is much needed here, but for lack of room we are unable to have one. We certainly need more faith when we build our mission buildings.

Hull Street Settlement.

Boys' Clubs.—In every community there are boys who need a helping hand. Greatly is this needed in the slum districts, where the conveniences and conditions in his own home are such that the boy spends most of his

evenings upon the street or frequents the cheap places of amusement. During the year we have had nine boys' clubs. This work is under the supervision of a Christian young man, who has been with us from the beginning. He is ably assisted by students from Harvard University. This work is carried on entirely by volunteer workers. Every club, on admission to the House, agrees to give up a portion of each evening to study. *Membership of all clubs and classes, 286.*

A shirtwaist class was started this year, with an Italian girl from one of the evening clubs as leader. When asked if she would do this, she said: "Yes, I would like to do something. You have all done so much for me."

One hundred and fifty garments were made in the children's afternoon classes. In June a very successful exhibit was given of the year's work. There was a good attendance of parents and friends, who seemed much pleased when they viewed the large numbers of aprons, pillow-cases, petticoats, and dresses made by the younger girls, and the beautiful embroidery done by the evening clubs.

At Christmas time the members of one of our girls' clubs, with the Superintendent and leader, visited the shut-ins, singing Christmas carols and leaving with them Christmas wreaths and gifts.

It was longing for a better life that caused a young Italian girl to say, when by pictures and words the life of Christ was being told in one of our clubs, "I would like to be good."

The social workers have made 2,302 calls. By calling we come in close touch with the parents of the young people who attend our clubs. It is one of the important features of our work.

Several outings have been enjoyed by the mothers and children during the summer months.

Our stamp savers at Lowney's chocolate factory were 146; children at the dispensary, 136; making a total of 282 savers. Amount of money saved, $620.09.

Each year there come to the country large numbers of men, women, and children from foreign lands. May we not look upon them as foreigners, but as a part of God's great family, and remember that

"In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south nor north;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth."

Mrs. E. M. Taylor, *Superintendent.*

ITALIAN MISSION, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Some one said, "When a babe smiles in its sleep it is talking with angels." It may be so. If we could pass the portals that conduct the dreams of a slumbering infant we might behold the scenes that would render the gorgeous visions and splendid imagination of manhood most meager in comparison. Peradventure we might hear the angel also, would we but pause and listen; but, alas! there are too many voices in our preoccupied hearts, and the multiplied sounds of the busy world down these angel whisperings, so that we hear them not.

The friends of the Italian Mission have dreamed dreams, had visions of large proportions and pleasantly realized; but the difficulties are not all overcome, the barriers not all removed, because the multiplicity of sounds from the world have drowned the whispering of the angels, and we see them still.

Our building proved so unsanitary we were compelled to seek new quarters. While "casting about" for another suitable building the one we occupied was sold, and we were "thrust out." Our German Methodist friends, hearing of our distress, offered us the use of their chapel for Sunday services to be held in the afternoon. This was not conducive to large attendance, especially during the extreme warm weather; but it proved the tie that bound us together.

Our sewing classes had to be discontinued and all week-day services. Finally we were placed in comfortable, sanitary quarters; the Methodist Union, of Rochester, N. Y., having bought a fine property at 257 Scio Street. The upper floor is used by the pastor as living rooms. The lower floor is used for all the church services. This includes all services on Sunday and two services during the week. The evening school was carried on most successfully from October 15, 1910, to March 15, 1911.

The future is much brighter than the years of the past, and with the help of the Lord we will try to make it the most successful.

Interesting, but not wholly comforting, is one of the observations made by those who have given attention to the flow and ebb of foreigners to and from this country. It is that while the immigrants are in large part of the poorer classes of other countries, when the tide sets the other way it is the well-to-do, comparatively, who comprise it. It is the argument that for the most part the thrifty and successful return, as the poorer immigrants can not afford to do so, and may be absolutely without money for the passage. It should be noted along with this, however, that a large number of the more vigorous of these immigrants, who have established themselves in homes and in business here will not be very generally influenced by the backward movement. Several of our "men" returned to Italy this year to visit their parents. In each case they have returned "aliens" from their home, parents, and friends because of their "coming to Christ." One of them, when challenged by the priest of his native town to public debate, replied: "Sir, you are a professor; I am an ignorant working-man. I can only tell you what Jesus has done for me." So convincing was this statement, he withdrew his challenge and said, "I can only honor you for your fidelity to your religion."

We are met on all sides with persecution, but we believe on the promises of Him whose we are, purchased by His blood and redeemed through His sufferings.

Mrs. Daniel Smith, *Superintendent of Mission.*

UTICA ITALIAN SETTLEMENT, UTICA, N. Y.

The Italian mission work at Utica, N. Y., has been prosecuted with vigor during the past year. We have two deaconesses and a matron, and the mission house has been open through the entire year. The vacation of the workers was so arranged as to accomplish this result. All the bills for running expenses have been paid. The deaconesses have been faithful and accomplished good work among the mothers in the homes and among the children in the kindergarten and several classes.

The Sunday school was united with that of the Italian Methodist Church, and our workers have taught classes in the Church and Sunday school, and materially aided by their efforts. The new brick building is in process of completion. The contracts have all been let, and we expect the new building will be completed in the early winter. We are looking forward with anticipation to the time when we can move from our rented quarters into our permanent home. There is a great field for our work

in Utica, and with new facilities, a new building, and more workers we shall expect to report increasing results.

(Mrs. I. L.) Alice G. Hunt, *Chairman of Committee.*

ORPHANAGES.

Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.

Storm and Sunshine! What a rugged glory issues from these elements when they appear in balanced proportion in the natural, yes, in the human world! And just such a commingling of these forces has existed in the Mothers' Jewels Home that out from them has come another symmetrical year.

Happily that spoiling alloy of over-quiescence was kept out, so that when drought confronted the land with more boldened effrontery than for years, our farm boys kept stirring the soil with almost stubborn tenacity; and with what results? After the hot, weary weeks the refreshing rains came; and life having thus been sustained, all vegetation leaped into abundant growth. We will have potatoes to carry the family through the winter; the corn will yield at least one-half crop; the wheat is very fair, and a good supply of grapes. 'T is true, the garden yielded but scantily of the summer vegetables, and the diversity of fall fruits will be missed; yet, with just consideration of mercies, we know that next Thanksgiving day can be heartily observed.

This twelve-month has brought to the Home a bequest of a 160-acre farm not far from York, of not less than $20,000 value. Though it may be some years before it will actually be in our possession, yet its value will then be just as great when future events of life shall have placed it entirely at our disposal.

For shadow and sunshine we bring thanks, and again step forth on the unfailing promise, "All things work together for good to them that love God."

Mrs. Annie Hobbs Woodcock, *Chairman.*

Cunningham Children's Home, Urbana, Ill.

For the year ending July 1, 1911, ninety-two children have been cared for; fifty of these were girls, and forty-two were boys. The larger number were less than seven years old, and the remainder less than twelve. Four were bottle-babies.

The health of all has been exceptionally good, regardless of hot weather and drought. In early springtime we had one case of diphtheria, but that was so well cared for that nothing serious resulted from it.

The porches, that were screened last year through the financial assistance of friends, have proven a great blessing. Children having a tendency to tubercular trouble have slept upon them, and the benefit they have received is simply marvelous.

A new addition, 50 feet by 64 feet and three stories high, will be finished in time to be occupied before winter. In it we expect to house forty little boys. In it are two school-rooms, two play-rooms, two dormitories, laundry caretakers' rooms, and closets, and, together with other necessary improvements to be made in remodeling the Home proper, will cost about $20,000, only a part of which is in sight. But this is surely the Lord's work, and we are confident that if we put forth our best endeavor, every obligation will be met in due time.

We feel that the new building will not nearly accommodate the little ones that will come to us, for in two weeks, recently, we were obliged to turn away seventeen children, all worthy objects of charity.

It seems to be only a matter of making people acquainted with what is being done and the possibilities of doing more to insure abundant help for further improvement. To that end we are requesting those who come this way to visit us and, furthermore, are planning to have several special reception days during the coming year.

There are heathens, to be sure,
In far lands, and low, impure;
But the poor, the poor, the poor—
Poor we thoughtlessly contemn,
Maybe blood of kin in them—
Dying in Jerusalem.

Dying of starvation, too;
Miserably, in plainest view.
God, for Thy Son's sake endue
Each with zeal to lift and lead
Souls to Him, that He may feed—
Not on crusts, but love, indeed.

WM. A. DAVIS, *Superintendent.*
MARY S. DAVIS, *Matron.*

Watts de Peyster Industrial Home and School for Girls, Tivoli, N. Y.

(Scholarship, $70.)

Another busy and successful year has passed for the Watts de Peyster Home. The work of the Home has gone on smoothly and happily; the Superintendent, teachers, and children have all contributed their share in furthering the purposes for which the Home was established, and the result is highly encouraging to the committee and to all who have the success of the institution at heart.

The health of the children has been excellent and speaks well for the fine location of the Home, as well as for the care of the Superintendent and teachers, for all of which we are very grateful.

"Founders' Day" brought together an unusually large number of the friends of the Home, and the exercises were interesting and gave our friends some insight into the work being accomplished for the girls. Both old and new friends showed their appreciation by liberal contributions.

Our thanks are due to our devoted Superintendent and teachers, and also to all our friends who have taken an interest in the work.

We are glad to have the friends of the work visit the Home at any time and see for themselves what is being accomplished.

MRS. FRANK NORTON, *Chairman.*

The Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home, Hulton, Pa.

Upon entering the seventh year of the work of the Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home it may be well to take a backward glance and see what great things God hath wrought in the life of this institution, and reverently give thanks to Him for the benefits and blessings which we

have received. Opening on May 29, 1905, with but six children, we now, on this first day of June, 1911, stand confronted with the problem of caring for twenty-five homeless little ones and turning constantly away from the appeals of many more, whose stories are just as pathetic, whose lives are just as dark, and whose conditions are at times even worse than orphaned. Having to subscribe rigidly to the sane and commendable health laws of the State of Pennsylvania, we are enabled to care for but a certain number of children; and that number having already been reached, we are now facing the ever-present problem of enlargement, that we may care for more, influence many, and thereby give to our State and our Church healthy, noble, and Christian lives, which shall tell for now and for eternity. Within the past six years we have received and cared for fifty children; a large, active family requiring the untiring efforts of our matron, whose aim it is to give to each and every one that individual attention and love without which the lives of these little ones would be empty and their training without profit. She has long ago ceased to be the matron of an institution and become in its stead a mother in a "Home," the highest tribute which we may offer to Mrs. Geo. A. Eyster, who since the foundation of this work has been in charge, and who, we pray, may long be spared to us. May I quote a line which this noble woman has herself penned, that the friends who so ably assist us in every way may realize that their investments are well made and that into the hands of a godly woman has been placed the training of a coming generation, whose value we can not measure? "At times I get very much discouraged; the work seems so great and human nature so weak; but when I hear the children in their play reverently repeating the Apostles' Creed, the Twenty-third Psalm, and closing with 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,' I take great courage, as I know any one would, to keep right on caring for these homeless little ones." When many of these children come to us, with the name of our Christ unknown to them, it can not help but bring a thrill of joy to the hearts of all interested friends to see this rapid unfolding of many useful lives.

Let those who can add to the Endowment Fund, erect a hospital upon our grounds for the care of the sick, add a boys' dormitory, that we may house and care for the homeless ones who are being lost to us for need of protection. Such gifts will be your greatest monuments, and eternity alone will reveal their grandeur. Many friends can this institution claim, to whom we should like to extend our sincere thanks and added words of appreciation for the interest they have manifested in these God's little ones.

Mrs. P. D. Perchment, *Chairman.*

DEPARTMENT OF DEACONESS WORK.

Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, *General Superintendent of Deaconess Work*, 21 Adams Avenue, East, Detroit, Mich.

To those who are bearing the burdens of this department these three important words constantly arise: Why? How? Where?

Why did this Society assume the care of this important branch of Christian service? First, despite the earnest activities of Church organizations their leaders found impossible the task of meeting the dire necessities of the poor and distressed who are constantly drifting against the thresholds of our homes and to the very doors of our local Churches. Close hand-to-hand conflict with suffereing was forced upon us in such a measure as to baffle our efforts. Then came the vision of the poor, the maimed, the halt, and the blind, who by the loving hand of woman had through all the Christian centuries ministered to the need of the unfortunate. The establishment of deaconess institutions in the different countries of Europe had proved their value to modern life. American Methodism was sufficiently wise to follow in this well-trodden path.

The history of our own deaconess movement has been a concrete illustration of the value of this beautiful, consecrated service. We chose to carry this specific burden because the Woman's Home Missionary Society employed only "voluntary workers." The single aim of each deaconess and of each missionary is the same; viz., "To minister to the sorrowing and sin-laden world." The work of both missionary and deaconess "is to visit the sick, pray with the dying, comfort the sorrowing, seek the wandering, save the sinning, relieve the poor, care for the orphan, and to take up other Christlike service; all in the Master's name." Of the garb and allowance the early Books of Discipline say nothing, and these are but helpful incidentals.

How do we strive to meet the needs? This story is too old and too well known to require much in detail; for these Phoebes of modern life, through their loving ministrations, have led many thousands from poverty and sin into lives of earnest purpose and great usefulness.

Where do they come from? The deaconesses come largely from our Churches, sabbath schools, and Epworth Leagues. Some come from the cities, some from the rural districts, all come as followers of our Elder Brother, in order to render aid to suffering human souls.

Where are they needed? The call seems to come from every direction, from the rich and the poor, the strong and the weak, the ignorant and the learned; representatives, indeed, from all classes flock to the deaconess for help and comfort. Out of her loving heart she tries to feed them all. Hence the demand for these consecrated workers is so great as to become embarrassing. Our hearts are often wrung because we must reply to needy calls, "No one to send."

Dear workers in Churches, Epworth Leagues, and Sabbath schools, are your spiritual eyes open? Can you see beyond the surface of this bright Christian young woman, in your Church or anywhere as her life touches yours, a possible deaconess, one who can go out as a servant of

Christ? If so, will you not point out the way by which she may prepare to gather souls for her crowning? No other field opens so widely as does this to the intelligent, consecrated woman. *"Souls for her hire." How inspiring that thought!*

Gifts and Growth.

Recognition of the value of this work has again this past year brought to us many gifts for its use.

Land has been offered us in Albuquerque, N. M., upon which it is desired that we erect a much-needed hospital.

The beautiful Amee Deaconess Home at Gardiner, Me., for working women and girls, with its endowment to keep it in repair, is a new acquisition in the Maine Conference and will prove a blessing to the refined women, who rejoice in its sheltering protection.

At Albany, N. Y., the deaconesses have long maintained in a hired house a mission for Syrian and Italian children, for whom they have cared while the mothers have been earning their support. They are now blessed with the ownership of a new, well-equipped mission home.

In Barre, Vt., the new mission building is completed and is in constant use. A new deaconess home has already been secured and furnished for the use of the workers.

In Utica, N. Y., on the ground adjoining the new Italian Methodist Church, a deaconess home is being erected for our local mission work, and will probably be ready for occupancy early next January, 1912.

The Philadelphia Deaconess Home is planning for enlargement to its generous plant. The Local Board of this institution knows not how to cry, "Enough!"

Cleveland has purchased a fine, large, centrally-located new residence that gives a comfortable and beautiful home to its large family. May the blessings of peace and love rest upon it!

Holloway Deaconess Home, at Bridgeport, Ohio, has been well repaired and supplied with some new furniture, so that it has taken a new, bright life. It is now a model of comfort, and for this blessing we are indebted to local friends inspired by the energy of its late Superintendent, Miss Isabel C. Leitch.

Other Homes have done much that has required time, money, and patience, yet that which has resulted in larger comfort and usefulness.

Last and greatest is the receipt of $10,000, a noble gift from Mr. Henry Schoellkopf, Sr., and his son, Mr. Henry Schoellkopf, Jr. This money is in the bank of the Treasurer of our Society. With this money we name our new building of the Kansas City National Training School "Schoellkopf Hall."

With these fine illustrations of recognition of our work, we are forced to cry out in the following applicable lines:

"'The work of our hands, establish Thou it,"
How often with thoughtless lips we pray!
But He who sits in the heavens shall say,
'Is the work of your hands so fair and fit
That ye dare thus pray?'

"Softly we answer, 'Lord, make it fit,
The work of our hands, that so we may
Lift up our eyes and dare to pray,
'The work of our hands, establish Thou it.'"

THE PERMANENT DEACONESS FUND.

Miss Fannie M. Cummings, *Treasurer,* 21 Adams Ave., E., Detroit, Mich.

Before closing the volume of another year, it is with gratification we scan the pages penned by Father Time. Gratification is ours because of the hearty co-operation of every deaconess institution to conform to the rulings of the General Conference in meeting its obligations to the Permanent Deaconess Fund. We are now standing on a good business basis, for there is a business-like understanding between every deaconess institution and the Treasurer. We have in the Permanent Deaconess Fund at this time $3,200 in interest-bearing bonds, $800 in annuities, $6,500 in notes, and $1,037.19 in cash in the bank; making a total of $11,537.19.

It must be remembered that our Deaconess Department is the largest branch of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which is one of the great connectional societies of Methodism. Behind it are thirty years of heroic effort which has made honorable history, and we are still pressing forward, with one hundred and seventy-eight thousand members. This body is ever ready to give sympathetic care to its deaconess daughters and to respond to special calls for aid. Thus, outside of our money, we possess one of the largest endowments in Methodism.

Our deaconess institutions are doing their part towards increasing our Permanent Deaconess Fund by meeting their assessments yearly. Twenty of the institutions have met their obligations in full, eight in part, and five of them have not as yet been able to pay anything; but all who are in arrears with their assessments are making brave efforts to come in on the "Reported in Full" list, and next year we expect *every deaconess institution* to appear under that heading.

It is a little more difficult to co-operate with the station workers; but they, too, are finding a place on our business files.

Now, we most earnestly invite *you,* as *Conferences,* to a place on this platform. This is our first appeal for your aid; but we must increase the amount of our Permanent Deaconess Fund. We are at present caring for a number of deaconesses, for whom we are paying board and allowance and furnishing medical aid. With between three hundred and four hundred licensed deaconesses, and seventy and eighty unlicensed, we need to use careful economy; but the needs of every legitimate case have so far been met.

It is our duty to provide for the future support of these faithful, unselfish deaconesses, who so bravely give their lives to the Church. They do a work that no other branch of the Church could do.

When you bring your tithes into the storehouse, will you not remember this good need also in gifts, pledges, and in annuities, that the Lord's blessing may be poured out upon us with you?

REPORT OF THE BUREAU ON NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Mrs. D. A. Minard, *Secretary,* 619 Bird Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

At the meeting of the Board of Managers, held in Buffalo, N. Y., 1910, the Committee on National Training Schools was formed into a Bureau. With the added honor came added responsibilities.

The Board of Trustees, in response to requests from the Boards of Conference Training Schools, voted at the meeting held in April "that

hereafter the Conference Training Schools shall be under the supervision of the Bureau of Training Schools."

We have now four National training schools, supported by our National Treasury, and four Conference training schools, supported by the Conferences in which they are located. In all of these able pastors have given most generously of their time and strength in training young women for future service.

The Kansas City Training School is heroically laboring to raise the money for its much-needed administration building, ground for which was broken during Commencement week last May.

San Francisco Training School has closed a most prosperous year. The painstaking reports which have reached the Secretary each month eliminate distance and bring joy that we have such faithful officers and teachers guarding our interests and sending out capable workers with each class of graduates. An unconditional $400 increase to its current expense appropriation has been granted.

The McCrum Training School for Slav girls reports a prosperous year. Miss Davis, the Principal, has visited Bohemia at her own expense, spending four months on the native heath of these peoples, that she might become familiar with the home conditions, learning better how, in this adopted land, to reach them and bring them to Christ. For this school an unconditional appropriation of $500 on current expense has been granted.

Our colored training school demands deep interest, and we rejoice that our colored Conferences are permitted to appropriate their moneys to this purpose. Some matters as to location must be decided before any much-to-be-desired active measure can be employed and the work pushed forward.

The Lucy Webb Hayes Training School, at Washington, has closed an exceptional year, with all floating indebtedness paid. There remains only a small mortgage on new property purchased the past year, in order to protect the institution from objectionable encroachments.

Those who have visited Washington within late years have been impressed with the serious need of a new building for hospital purposes. Two hundred physicians have this year practiced in Sibley. This hospital is unique in having no medical staff; any reputable physician can bring his patients to Sibley and there care for them.

Our present hospital is full, and has a long waiting-list, not because of any attractive surroundings, but because of the conscientious, faithful character of our Christian nurses, who render Christlike care.

The time is here when the old buildings must be removed and a new hall erected, a twin building to Rust Hall. At the meeting of the Bureau in May by unanimous vote this proposed building was named Robinson Hall, in honor of our beneficent friend, Mr. George O. Robinson, and his wife, our beloved President, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson.

The Board of Trustees has granted this undertaking. Dr. Wilder, the leader in this enterprise, has evolved a plan of collecting annuities and gifts by which this project can be financed. Some thousands of dollars have already been secured. This plan has been approved by the Trustees.

Why should we build this hospital at the Nation's capital? Quoting from our Auditor's report, "this is not a great hospital for local Methodism, not something that the people of Washington and Baltimore Conferences only may enjoy, but something that shall be representative of the great Methodist Episcopal Church in our Nation's capital." Let it be a monument to Protestantism. The Roman Catholic Church, the wisest of all Churchly bodies, captures the centers in our great cities. In Washington, the heart of the Nation, where influences flow to and from every

part of the land, this is eminently true. Millions of dollars are expended on great institutions of the Roman Church. Protestantism has not one completed institution except the Lucy Webb Hayes Training School. We have now the opportunity; let us not fail to seize it.

Dear sisters of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, we ask every Conference to interest Methodists within its boundaries in the annuity plan, and in gifts with which to endow or name beds and rooms in this new building. Tell abroad the sad condition of all Protestantism in the capital of the Nation, and surely the Lord will open the hearts of His people to this opportunity.

A closing word to the Conference Managers: Your office places great responsibility upon you; to no other Conference officer is such opportunity given to aid in this service. Many of you have responded with interest to the letters of the Bureau Secretary; some have not. You have received letters defining your duties. If you do not hear as often from headquarters as I should like to have you, remember you are a goodly number. Press forward.

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The Lucy Webb Hayes Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries.

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"She was God's gift to us," was said of the one whose name is borne by the Lucy Webb Hayes Training School for Deaconesses and Missionaries at Washington, D. C. So also is the institution which perpetuates her memory. "God's gift to us," and not to us only; for, though it is *National* in the sense that it is supported by the General Woman's Home Missionary Society, might it not be also international, inasmuch as the lines of its influence extend to other nations? Of the more than four hundred graduates some are in foreign lands to-day.

The real purpose of the school is not so much to provide helpers for evangelizing America for her own sake as for the world's sake.

The beginning of this training school for women workers was in a rented house, and at one time parts of six residences were in use. Now, in addition to the hospital buildings and the President's residence, Rust Hall, a noble structure, representing the devotion and sacrifice of loyal Methodists all over the land, furnishes abode for 150 resident students. Its property measures on North Capitol Street from Pierce to M Street, and on M Street 230 feet west, and is worth $275,000.

The school maintains four departments:

1. The Bible School, in which both theoretical and practical teaching is given young women for the work of deaconess, missionary, evangelist, and Bible teacher;

2. The Domestic Science School, in which cooking, sewing, and household economics are taught;

3. The Kindergarten School, in which women are trained in the use of the best kindergarten methods; and

4. Sibley Hospital, for the training of Christian nurses.

The past year has been one of actual achievement. The standards of efficiency have been raised, quality being sought rather than quantity. The old debts have been canceled, and the new properties purchased will soon be paid for.

There is great need of more chosen young women to prepare themselves for the already ripened fields waiting for workers. The calls far

exceed the number who answer. A larger number can be accommodated here.

Shall the door of privilege have been opened in vain? The opportunities are costly. They represent contributions of thousands of devoted followers of Christ. To make possible these opportunities, what sacrifices did they not make; what self-denials did they not practice; what love did they not lavish; what devotion did they not manifest; what foresighted consideration did they not employ! And shall this goodly heritage have been offered without response or recompense? Shall the splendid talent, superior educational equipment, and beautiful years of our young people flow into channels other than the Church which Jesus Christ has purchased with His own blood?

May the call of God be upon a thousand young women for training for service, and may that call arouse the multitudes of our membership to see that such women fill these halls for preparation!

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Kansas City Training School.

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The past year at the Kansas City National Training School has, under the blessing of God, been one of great profit and usefulness. Careful, conscientious work on the part of the students and teachers has resulted in marked spiritual and intellectual development, and the practical work done in the Churches and missions of the city has given the training in real service. Children have been given physical and moral care and training; the needs of the poor, the sick, the shut-ins have meen met, and souls have been led to an experience of personal faith in Christ by the students as they have labored in all parts of the city.

The Commencement exercises, May 16th, were made memorable as one of the sessions of the great Home Missionary Parliament held in this city. Bishop Robert McIntyre, D. D., was the speaker of the evening. Seventeen young women had completed the course of instruction and were granted diplomas, and a class of thirteen were consecrated as deaconesses.

May 17th a company of about five hundred gathered on the lawn to participate in the breaking of ground for the new administration building. The plans for this building have been accepted, and work has begun. The need for it becomes more pressing every day. During the last year a cottage a block away has cared for a number of the family, for whom there was no room in Fisk Hall.

No student qualified to take our course of study is ever turned away for lack of room, but the work must soon suffer if our new building is much longer delayed. Several friends have taken rooms to name and furnish, at $150 each. Others are naming doors and windows for smaller amounts, and taking shares in the elevator at $100 per share. Auxiliaries or individuals who wish to help in this or other ways are invited to write to the Superintendent. Those who must retain the income from their gifts may make their contributions on the annuity plan.

Scholarships at $125 per year are always acceptable.

The Alumnæ Endowed Scholarship Fund is nearing completion and will soon be supporting a student in training for some one of our neediest home fields.

The Junior Class is composed of strong, capable women, eager to do and dare for the Master. Following the example of the class of 1911, they have pledged to raise the money to name and furnish a room in the new building.

The *Kansas City Deaconess* is proving itself one of our most useful helpers in keeping our friends in touch with our work here and with what our graduates are accomplishing elsewhere.

The Conference of the Western Deaconess Bureau was held in Fisk Hall, May 18th, and was a time of interest and profit to the seventy-five deaconesses and students in attendance. All agreed to call it the best gathering of its kind yet held here.

One of the most inspirational features of the year has been the monthly meetings of the Fisk Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It includes in its membership nearly all the Fisk family. The mite-box opening was a time of great rejoicing. The boxes were found to contain $152.31. This money was divided between Sinuk, Alaska, and Hawaii, with a small amount for a literature fund.

The spiritual life of the school has been up to its usual high level, and there has been marked growth and development as we have worked and studied together. Surely God is in this place and is working His own plans in and through the lives of His daughters. May His will be done!

San Francisco National Training School and Deaconess Home.

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San Francisco National Training School and Deaconess Home.

REV. E. R. WILLIS, D. D., *President.*

Among the many pictures of the Pacific Coast with its "Thousand Wonders" there is none that has attracted more attention than the Golden Gate, through which pass fleets of white-winged ships from far-away shores, casting anchor in our beautiful bay, remaining just long enough to get a cargo of the rich golden products of California, then setting sail for the land whence they came.

Yet to us there is one picture even more interesting, and this is to see eager students from regions nearby and remote, coming through the golden gate of opportunity afforded by the San Francisco National Training School, and, when trained and equipped for Christlike service, going forth laden with rare treasures of mind and heart to enrich and bless a sinful, sorrowing, and needy world.

Not in the history of our training school have we had more precious material to work upon, nor more faithful and efficient teachers than during the past year. We are confident that of the seven graduates (and of the nine who were consecrated) not one will fail. When weighed they will not be found wanting. Central and Southern California, Utah, Indiana, and Alabama are being greatly blessed to-day by these consecrated women.

Our deaconesses have wrought patiently, faithfully, and successfully; some in parish work, others in special work as travelers' aid, nursing the

sick in their homes, and ministering to the sick and convalescent soldiers at the Presidio. The work at Angel Island among the immigrants from all round the world, but specially from the Orient, has been a new departure, and we believe it is the beginning of a work vast in scope and significance. Very soon thousands will be coming via the Canal to California, who will have to pass through this Immigrant Station, and it will be our opportunity to "lend a hand" to multitudes in need of a true friend.

The work for 1911-12 opens auspiciously, and we are expecting this year to surpass any preceding year in attendance and results.

Miss McMillan, our resident teacher last year, has entered the parish work and has been succeeded by Miss Elfleda Myser, of Ohio Wesleyan University. Miss Myser has been in our Home only a week, but long enough to capture the hearts of all the students.

The McCrum National Training School for Slavonic Young Women.

64 Beeson Avenue, Uniontown, Pa.

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The McCrum National Training School for Slavonic Young Women.

As we pause to consider the work of the first year of the school we thank God and take courage.

Our school Faculty has labored earnestly, and their efforts have been crowned with success, while the sudents have been faithful not only in their school work, but also efficient in practical mission work in the form of house-to-house visiting, teaching, sewing on Saturday, and conducting and teaching Sabbath schools on Sundays among the adjacent foreign population.

Mary Brehovsky, a missionary employed by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, has her residence in the Home. She is an experienced worker, knows the fields and its needs; she, in conjunction with Miss Davis, plans the work and directs the students in their missionary efforts; and in addition to their labor, their exemplary lives are preaching silent but effectual sermons, particularly to the young people in the Coke Mission.

While our school as yet has not received any unconditional appropriation, our treasury has never been empty. Our year closed with all expenses paid and a small balance in hand. For this we praise the Giver of every good gift and heartily thank the ones who so generously dropped it into the treasury.

But now, since our school opens this year with twice as many students as there were when school opened last year, this necessitates additional furnishings, increased table supplies, more school books, to which will be added the advanced price of eatables, our expense this year will be

doubled. Hence we kindly entreat our benefactors of the past to be equally and, if convenient, more generous in the future, while we are trusting that many new contributors will be added to our list. "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth." "The liberal soul shall be made fat."

Miss Elizabeth S. Davis, Principal of the school, spent the summer vacation in Europe, much of the time in Bohemia; her purpose being to obtain a more thorough knowledge of the Bohemian language and acquaint herself with the customs of the foreign people.

Her summer outing will no doubt be of great benefit to the school, since a prominent feature of the work is to teach the students to conduct services in the foreign tongue, that they may teach the gospel to aliens, whose number constitutes so large a per cent of our population. To this end the devotional services of the school, as well as the public service on Sabbath evenings, are conducted in the Bohemian language.

The languages represented in the school are English, German, Polish, Bohemian, and Slovak.

Miss Davis returned to America the last of September. Three Bohemian girls came with her and are students in the training school, which opened its second year October 2, 1911.

The interest and pleasure of Miss Davis's trip was very much enhanced by having for her traveling companion Miss Sipek, a native of Bohemia, returning on a visit to her old home again to meet her relatives and early acquaintances. She also returned with Miss Davis, and again resumed her work in the Coke Mission, where she has been "abundant in labors" for eleven years; and by her deeds of kindness, womanly graces, and Christlike spirit is known and revered throughout the territory, not only by the aliens, but Americans as well. She is employed by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Pittsburgh Conference.

At the close of the school term the matron and assistant teacher, Miss Annie McDiffett, resigned her position, that she might attend this year Dr. Buttler's Bible School in New York City. With much regret her resignation was accepted, and with some anxiety, lest we could not find one to fill her place; but we are now rejoicing in having Miss Eva C. Butler, of Palmyra, Ill., who comes to us well recommended.

"Thus far the Lord has led us,
Sure, He still will lead us on."

Mrs. R. S. McCrum, *Chairman.*

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Mrs. W. L. Boswell, *Secretary,*

644 N. Thirty-second Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The year has been one of marked progress and of good work. Progress has been made in equipment and training—a higher standard is being attained and accepted as a necessity for efficiency.

An important influence toward this end was the Deaconess Conference held in Philadelphia in May, when sixty-six active workers were in attendance for several days, representing nearly all fields within the Bureau.

There is an increase in the proportion of those who are engaged in a ministry beyond the borders of the Church, of those whose supreme effort is to breathe into every home the Christian spirit—and thus the vital adjustment to changed conditions is being made and the point of contact discovered.

It is being remembered that while sociology and religion are different, yet religion is at the heart of life, as well as the basis of all social advancement. And that the success of deaconess work lies not so much in how many the deaconess can enroll, but to what extent she can put herself in harmony with the spirit and under divine control, and thus maintain the vision of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

The Anthracite Mission Deaconess Home, Hazelton, Pa.

Miss Emma Trescott, *Deaconess.*

The Anthracite Mission is now occupying its two recently purchased buildings. One house is used by the Superintendent and his assistant with their families, while the other is used as a mission house and deaconess home. Here live the four young women missionaries, and here they conduct their class work.

This Home was furnished by the Central Pennsylvania Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, each district taking different rooms for this good work. Our ladies of the Oneonta District of the Wyoming Conference also furnished one bedroom to be used by a representative of that Conference.

We are planning for a library. During the year a legacy was left to the Woman's Home Missionary Society which gave the local Auxiliary the privilege of saying to what mission the money should go. They decided to have it go to this mission, provided it could be used as a memorial. It is proposed that it be used as the "Thomas Curry Memorial Library." Here will be placed books of the various languages of the people who are being reached by this mission.

One hundred girls are enrolled in the sewing classes of the House. Many are working on the educational course; seventy-five in all classes have completed the course and are making garments, and a number have been promoted to the embroidery or dressmaking classes. English classes are conducted in which are young men and women preparing for other schools. Church services are at present conducted in this house until a church can be built on the other end of the lot by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. Our young women assist in the Sunday school, conduct a Junior League and Home Guards, as well as assist in the prayer meeting and other services on Sunday. Forty foreign children are enrolled in the Cradle Roll Department.

One worker meets a class of twenty girls on the north side of town each week, while another gives her time to the people at Beaver Brook, four miles south of the city. Here one hundred children and young people are met each week in Sunday school and sewing and cooking classes.

From time to time young women are taken into the Home and are trained in housework. A motherless Polish girl served a short time in this way; while recently a Slovak girl, whose life was threatened by a drunken father, was taken in and protected and trained. This we believe is the best way to give them a vision of the higher life.

Baltimore Deaconess Home.

1301-1303 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. H. D. Evans, *Superintendent.*

The past year has been one of unusual anxiety and care on account of several cases of serious illness among our deaconesses; through sickness we have lost three of our valuable workers. In spite of this, the work has by no means been at a standstill, and we sound our minor note because of adverse conditions.

A few months since the property next door was purchased, a most advantageous offer being made to our Board of Management, but on account of a decrease in our number of deaconesses no new work has as yet been attempted. Our little monthly paper, *The Baltimore Deaconess,* continues to meet with favor.

Seven Churches and four missions have been served; hundreds of children have been taken to the Fresh Air Farm, where they have been under the care of the deaconesses; situations have been secured for the unemployed; and many families have been aided during periods of sickness and destitution.

Most excellent work has been done in our three kindergartens, nine sewing schools, boys' and girls' clubs and guilds, mission study and Christian culture classes, the aggregate number of children and young people receiving instruction of an industrial and religious character being 25,174; 20,258 calls have been made, and good work has been done through our weekly mothers' meetings.

At present writing we have eleven deaconesses, and we are expecting two new workers in the fall. We are looking forward to a year of prosperity and blessing. "Hitherto the Lord has helped us," and as the battle is His, to Him be the glory.

Barre, Vermont. Vermont Conference Deaconess Home—Italian Mission and Conference Work.

15 French Street.

Mrs. Alice Curtis, *Superintendent.*

One year ago we reported progress in our Italian Mission. Our mission building has now been completed, and the work has been continuously carried forward.

We now report another step in advance. Our Society has rented a Deaconess Home near the mission, and has in it a well established deaconess family. With our Mission House and our Home we are pressing forward. We feel that we are where we can now reach these Italian children, and thus give them the true view of a living Christ as their Savior—not the wooden nor by the plastic image to which their eyes are accustomed, but by a loving Elder Brother who cares for them and who longs to enrich their lives and homes by His love.

The deaconesses working out in the Conference are feeling the support of this concrete presentation of our work as seen in these labors of love in the Italian Mission at Barre. They are also meeting some of the felt wants of the pastors in the help they render.

Brooklyn Deaconess Home.

238 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Mary A. Mahon, *Superintendent.*

The mission of "tempting people to goodness" has been the alluring task of the twelve deaconesses and two students composing the Brooklyn Deaconess Home family the past year.

Three of the deaconesses have presided over "Fresh Air Homes." Thus scores of children, unaccustomed to Christian family life, have been spiritually touched.

Supplemental to this, outings by day have been provided several hundred children and mothers. Children have also been sent to the country for two weeks.

The boys' club, sewing school, and mothers' club have met regularly in the Hans Christian Kindergarten building adjoining the Home.

The fine exhibit of the neighborhood industrial classes elicited much praise. The neighborhood work is growing in importance and appreciation.

The Methodist hosiptal is the regular parish of one of our deaconesses. She is in the daily clinics, busy in ward and private room. A world of opportunity is found in this "house of pain."

All our departments of work have been aided by generous supplies provided by Auxiliaries, Circles, and Churches. The help of two Needle Work guilds is especially valued.

Sixteen Churches are regularly served by parish workers. Eleven of these reside in the Home. Almost thirty thousand calls and over thirty thousand services will suggest the valuable work of the parish deaconess.

Our call for present and future service is found in the pressing need about us. Our source of courage is Jehovah.

Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School.

576 George St., New Haven, Conn.

Miss Jessie E. Arbuckle, *Superintendent.*

Six workers have been associated with our Home during the past year, one licensed deaconess serving in Winsted, Conn., one licensed deaconess in First Church, Bridgeport, Conn., two licensed deaconesses, one graduate deaconess, and one student in New Haven.

The varied lines of service have been few: Parish work, systematic hospital visitation, regular visiting of the jail, a Sunday school among the Italian people, and camp life with our boys and girls, where outdoor sports, nature study, family gatherings, the teaching of domestic work combined in giving renewed health and vision to our young guests.

Our local training school, through the courtesy of Yale Divinity School, has given the young women who have come to us for preparation for deaconess work the best of instruction.

E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.

3 Columbia Place, Eagle Street, Albany, N. Y.

Miss Mary E. Whitehead, *Superintendent.*

In reviewing the work of the past year we find cause for much gratitude to our Heavenly Father. Five parish deaconesses, a travelers' aid, a nurse deaconess, a field deaconess, and an associate worker have constituted the force of workers connected with the E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home. Each one has been faithful in her place.

The work of our travelers' aid is so much appreciated by the railway officials that during the few months in which we were unable to obtain a worker for the station, they sent repeatedly to inquire if we would not have some one there again, assuring us of their appreciation of the work.

The reports of our parish deaconesses in Burlington, Gloversville, Troy, and Albany show a year of hard work done in the name of the Master.

We are glad to report that we now own a suitable building for our settlement work. We are hoping to have it in good repair and free from debt at the close of the Conference year. Also we have cared for an average of ten children a day in our day nursery.

During the winter an average of fifty Italian and Syrian children have attended our Sunday school. Other classes, sewing, cooking, etc., have been well attended. These classes have been conducted mostly by volunteer helpers.

The Churches and Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries of the Conference have been loyal and generous in their sympathy, interest, and support of the Home. We can truly say, "Thus far the Lord has led us," and "Lord, if we may, we'll serve another day."

Jersey City Deaconess Home.

246 Summit Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

Miss Anna C. Beale, *Superintendent.*

The year just closing has been a very busy one for the devoted and faithful band of deaconesses connected with the Jersey City Deaconess Home. There have been 10,151 calls made; 3,133 papers, tracts, magazines, books, Bibles, and Testaments distributed; 2,780 garments given away; twenty-seven situations secured for the unemployed; 208 brought into Sunday school and Junior League; fifty-five enrolled in the Home Department; while in the Cradle Roll have been seventy-three; and the aggregate number taught in Sunday school 7,844; aggregate number in Junior League taught, 3,798; and the aggregate number taught in probationers' classes, 302; while in other classes, sewing, etc., 2,445. Meetings conducted or addressed, 498. There have been 585 sent to Fresh Air Camp for day's outing. Two thousand five hundred fifty and one-half hours in nursing in seventy-eight homes.

Every Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliary on Paterson and Jersey City districts is contributing toward maintaining the Home, while a goodly number of Churches are also aiding.

The industrial school, carried on successfully by the Misses Mills, has an enlarged outlook for the future, while the Italian work in Paterson, under the able leadership of Miss Heisler, is making many friends for this most Christlike work.

We are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father for His providential care and love, and are ready to serve Him another year as He directs.

Maine Conference Home.

130 Federal St., Portland, Maine.

Miss A. Maude King, *Superintendent.*

The year just closed has been abundant in labors, and as we look back we are led to say in realization of what has been accomplished in so brief a period and under circumstances so difficult at times, "What hath God wrought!"

Our workers, eight in number, have gone to and fro at the Master's bidding, cheered by His presence and inspired by His love.

Our field is the entire Maine Conference, and twenty-six Churches have received deaconess service, two hundred and forty persons have been brought to a saving knowledge of Christ, nearly two hundred have been brought into the Sunday school, meetings have been conducted at the jail and hospital, mothers' meetings have been carried on with great profit, and industrial classes have been conducted at the Home. The Fresh Air Camp has meant much to the mothers and children.

The new year looks bright. A splendid property in Gardiner, Me., has been given us, and this Home is now open to working girls and women. It is also under deaconess management.

Newark Conference Deaconess Home.

219 Fairmount Avenue, Newark, N. J.

Miss Cornelia Adele Teal, *Superintendent.*

"Rich gift of God!
A year of time!"

"Bind together your spare hours by the cord of some definite purpose and you know not how much may be accomplished."

Addition table for Newark Home: Six deaconesses. Christmas presents to one hundred children; one hundred baskets of food; one hundred dollars expended for rent, coal; several hundred second-hand garments distributed; two probationers' classes added forty to Church record.

Two new Junior Leagues, one had average attendance of sixty-five.

Fresh Air Fund increased from fifty dollars to two hundred and two dollars by donation. An ice-cream festival, etc., has benefited one hundred and eighty-three people.

One year of time! "He that hath ears to hear let him hear."

Philadelphia Deaconess Home.

609-611-613 Vine St., Philadelphia.

Miss Bertha Fowler, *Superintendent.*

Miss Winetta L. Stacks, *Associate Superintendent.*

The work of the Philadelphia Deaconess Home naturally divides itself into four departments:

1. The Parish Work engaged in by six deaconesses serving eight Churches. The Sunday schools offer the larger field for all, but the Young Peoples' Societies and the various meetings of the Church receive their co-operation. Mothers' meetings and clubs for boys and girls have been added in some of the parishes. The sick have been cared for,

the orphan has found a home, the needy supplied with material blessings through these kindly ministrations.

2. The Social Service Department offers a variety of work, and one deaconess is kept busy with demands that come in letters, by telephone, and at the door. Co-operation with all other benevolent agencies in the city is sustained and help thereby is mutual.

3. The Immigrant Work offers opportunity for a variety of service akin to travelers' aid, friendly visitor, nurse, business manager, missionary, and detective. The stranger, the sick, the dying, the dead, the sorrowing—babies, children, women, and sometimes men, appeal most strenuously for the aid that only a Christian worker can give. To make the coming to America more pleasant, kindly attention and the distribution of toys, dolls, clothing, and Bibles add to the comfort and consolation of the new comer. As in all missionary work, genuine love for the work and for the people are two requisites for success.

4. The Settlement may be subdivided into four departments:

(*a*) The educational, including the kindergarten, mothers' meetings, gymnasium, reading room, circulating library, penny savings bank, and the boys' and girls' parlors.

(*b*) The industrial, including the educational, sewing, garment making, embroidery, kitchengardening, cooking, printing, and sloyd.

(*c*) The medical is found in our dispensary, with clinic visits which aggregated 1,678 last year. Several minor operations have been performed, and many patients have been placed in hospitals to receive care and treatment which we could not give. A resident physician and deaconess nurse are both on call for outside duty, and have a splendidly equipped dispensary with which to minister to a sick and sinning world.

(*d*) Spiritual contact is accomplished through a Sunday school of 125 members, and which aggregated 3,020 this year; the Junior League of sixty-five members, and weekly Bible study classes for boys, girls, and men. The Easter offering for home missions from the Sunday school was $30.60. The Bible is our text-book, and all supplies, helps, and accessories are furnished by the school, for we are self-supporting. The Bible study classes have included a wide range of subjects: the girls studying "The Women of the Bible;" the boys, "The Statesmen of the Bible;" and the men, "The Life of Christ." The Junior League continues the study course as outlined by the Ceutral Office, and diplomas of graduation were given from the Junior Department.

The Queen Esther Circle has followed a course of home mission lessons, given several entertainments and socials, and have raised in dues and pledges over $90.

Entertainments at various times and under different auspices were given during the year. The social life of the neighborhood is ministered to by the boys' and girls' clubs and mothers' and men's meetings. Stereopticon lectures have been helpful and instructive. The religious and patriotic holidays have been appropriately celebrated.

The Fresh Air Work occupied the entire summer. By patronizing the resorts near by and at Atlantic City, mothers and children have been treated to a rest and a change. A gift of $25,000 for a Fresh Air Home is about to be realized, and when the building materializes it will be a great blessing and convenience to the work.

The Philadelphia Deaconess has circulated among its friends, and stimulated interest on its way. Auxiliaries, Queen Esther Circles, and Home Guards have continued their gracious support of the work.

A New Building project is now being agitated and receiving encouragement. A growing work as ours needs a good up-to-date gymnasium and an assembly room, both of which are greatly needed. For this

we are working and praying, knowing that the Lord will provide in His own good time and way. To Him be all the praise for our advancement thus far.

Stone Settlement Home.

Center Street, Martinsburg, W. Va.

Miss Elizabeth Hondrick, *Superintendent.*

"Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He shall give it you."

Unnumbered opportunities for service fell to the lot of the two deaconesses in Stone Settlement Home this past year.

In connection with the regular work of Sunday and industrial schools and Christian Endeavor, eleven children were cared for in the Home, from time varying from one night to twelve weeks. Four of these children were typhoid sufferers during the epidemic which swept over Martinsburg and vicinity in August and September, 1910. Eight of these poor children have been adopted into good homes, while two boys are in the Brickeystown Industrial School in Virginia learning trades.

A Temperance League formed by our workers, which held its meetings in our assembly room, did much toward helping Martinsburg to go "dry" in the March election.

By grasping these opportunities presented by Him, our workers have more than fulfilled our expectations and, I know, have heard His "Well done, My faithful servant."

Utica Italian Mission Settlement and Deaconess Home.

139 Elizabeth Street, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Hattie E. Davis, *Deaconess in Charge.*

Last September our work opened auspiciously and we made good progress in spite of our multiplied domestic cares.

Boys from eleven to sixteen, known as Boy Scouts, met on each Tuesday evening for drill, etc., while boys under eleven years were organized in a club known as the "Daniel's Band." This club has done some very good work in pyrography. About fifty-eight boys have been enrolled in the two classes.

Nearly sixty girls have also availed themselves of the privileges of the Saturday class. They have continued to use the New York system of sewing. One Saturday about the middle of December we had twenty-four little girls in attendance. At this time we lost, because we had to close the class for the time, a fine young man from the Y. M. C. A., who was drillmaster for the Boy Scouts.

In many respects the work in our Sunday school has been encouraging. Rally Day was observed in November, and at Christmas time our children enjoyed a beautiful tree and appropriate exercises. Our Auxiliaries responded liberally, and we were able to make the children happy. Supplies were donated by the Board of Sunday Schools in Chicago.

Seven mothers' meetings have been held with an attendance not quite so large as those of last year. Rev. Mr. Mascellaro, our Italian missionary, spoke at one of the meetings. As opportunity presented itself, we have tried to interest the mothers in the study of the English language, with the result that two of the older girls became pupils and two mothers have come occasionally for this study.

Our Mercy and Help Fund, started by some of our mothers who

wished to pay for garments obtained from our poor closet, has grown and been of great assistance in our ministry among these people.

We have enjoyed the comfortable and pleasant suroundings at our present location, and look forward to greater usefulness when our own new building is completed. Some new furnishings given by our Auxiliaries and other interested parties make our house more attractive. We trust that in the near future we shall reap abundantly where the precious seed has been sown.

Washington Deaconess Home.

917 O Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Miss Harriet Rice, *Superintendent.*

As another year draws to its close we feel we can, with the Psalmist, "sing unto the Lord, for He hath dealt bountifully with us."

While few in number, deaconesses have been blessed with health and strength, and have been faithful to their privileges and duties. Thus we feel much has been accomplished for the Master.

One of our strongest fields of work is that of the Travelers' Aid at the Union Station. Two deaconesses have served here during the entire year; Miss Miner working under the Y. W. C. A., and Miss Hicks under the Woman's Home Missionary Society until her duties called her to Mt. Lake Park, where she is Superintendent of the Rest Home for the summer season. Her place at the station was filled during the summer by Miss Slomkowska, whose gift of tongues made her invaluable. All kinds and conditions of mankind are reached by this phase of deaconess work, from the young girl subject to the white slave traffic to the aged and infirm needing sympathy, kindness, and love.

Miss Knapp has been faithful to the work as pastor's assistant at Wesley Chapel and at some of the missions. Only a deaconess knows what this means, and there is an Eye that watcheth over all and rewards accordingly.

The work at Rosedale Mission has been successfully managed by Miss Worthington and Miss Smith, her assistant. Our minds and hearts are all turned toward this work at present with renewed energy, for plans are well under way whereby we hope to erect a much needed new institutional building, and we believe God is opening the way and will provide the means.

Our Home has been comfortably provided for and some improvements made. Altogether we can say God has truly been good to us and supplied our needs according to His riches in glory, and we hope to accomplish much more this coming year for the Master.

Wilmington Conference Deaconess Home.

No. 841 Tatnall St., Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Margaret P. Street, *Superintendent.*

The Wilmington Conference Deaconess Home has just closed the fourth year of its service, and as we look back and try to take some account of the way by which we have come we feel to thank God and take courage.

We have at present six deaconesses in the Home. Of this number one is doing parish work. As pastor's assistant she has rendered very excellent and satisfactory service. The others are engaged in mission or Christian settlement work.

We have two centers of mission work, and in these Sunday schools, Junior League, sewing and embroidery classes, basketry, boys' and girls' clubs, kitchengarden, and kindergarten have been carried on.

Our senior deaconess, who superintends one of these missions, was taken ill the first of December, and was unable to resume her full duties until the first of April, but her work was not allowed to suffer, and when she closed the classes for the summer vacation she had a very creditable exhibition of work accomplished.

The deaconesses have rendered valuable service in the night school for Italian men, teaching them to read and write English. In one mission a class of Italian women has met to sew while the Italian minister talked to them. In the Home there is a sewing class of Italian girls, and a class in embroidery composed of young women who are employed in the factories during the day. The members of this class are Polish and Hungarian. The children in one of the kindergartens are mostly foreigners. So that our Home is reaching out after our neighbors and trying to establish friendly and helpful relations with the strangers within our gates.

The Home has received the loyal support of the Auxiliaries and Queen Esthers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The supplies sent have been most generous, and without them we could not have accomplished so much.

A great amount of social service work has been done through the Home. The cases asking and requiring help have been carefully investigated and real constructive methods of charity applied.

This Home is comparatively new and has had many discouragements to overcome.

Its first deaconesses were called away because of illness in their homes, and others have had to take their places. This has interrupted and crippled us to a great extent, but the work being done by our deaconesses in different parts of the city is commending it to the people, and we are looking forward to enlarging not only the scope of our work but also, in the near future, to our Home.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Altoona, Pa.

1912 Pine Street.

Miss Ada May Trout, *Deaconess.*

During the past year, as pastor's assistant, my duties have been many and varied.

Calling in the homes of our people and others; looking after the needy; keeping in close touch with the young people and children through the Epworth and Junior Leagues, Sunday school, Queen Esther Circle, and other societies; filling the pulpit and leading prayer meetings when occasion demanded, and assisting in all services of the Church; speaking in other churches, and at different conventions; conducting weekly classes in teacher training and mission study.

These form but an outline of the work that has been crowded with opportunities and filled with rich blessing.

Altoona, Pa.

Miss Sadie Sheffer, *Deaconess.*

1409 Eighth Avenue.

This has been a blessed year of service. As we come in touch with the children in the kindergarten, sewing classes, Junior Leagues, and Sunday schools of these Italian people, how many times are we impressed that the seed-sowing will bring a harvest in the future, for these children are learning to know Christ as their own personal Savior. Entrance is obtained into many homes through the invitation given to the little ones to join the Cradle Roll, kindergarten, and Mother' Jewels Band.

The open air service held Sunday evenings during the summer months have been well attended, and we trust will bring results in the saving of souls.

The past year has been the best in our history, and as the work grows it also brings larger responsibilities and many new opportunities for service.

Binghamton, N. Y.

14 Dickinson Street.

Miss Grace Clark, *Deaconess.*

The first three years this deaconess confined her labors almost entirely to the city of Binghamton, N. Y., but with the enlargement of Binghamton District new opportunities and new fields of labor have opened up before her. Besides the same work done as in other years, and her visiting and assisting nearly every Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliary on the District, she spent some weeks this winter assisting several ministers on the District during their evangelistic campaigns. She has also assisted the District President in organizing two new Auxiliaries.

The work is now assuming greater proportions, and we feel that the time is soon coming for the opening up of that which will bring increased opportunities, as our Commander-in-Chief is saying, "Fear not, for thou shalt not be shamed; neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to shame."

Burlington, Vt.

98 South Winooski St.

Miss Elizabeth M. Hanson, *Deaconess.*

The deaconess here is employed in parish work, with its varied duties to all ages and classes, serving as pastor's assistant in a large field; keeping in touch with the many phases of Church life and activity; seeking particularly to find the strangers, the sick, the sorrowing, the poor, and the neglected ones in our midst.

Over 1,300 calls have been made in six months. Material aid of food and clothing has been secured for needy families; also, in a few instances, help has been given in finding employment.

Plans are now being made for Thanksgiving baskets to be distributed to the poor.

The cold New England winter which will soon be upon us will bring greater demands and enlarged opportunities for usefulness in the name of the Master.

Cedartown Mission Settlement.

Cedartown, Ga.

Miss Bessie I. Sias, *Deaconess.*

This has been the most prosperous year this work has known. Our labor is almost entirely with the cotton mill workers, who greatly need the refining influence of practical Christianity. Our hope is in the children and young people. These are quick to learn, and for the most part appreciative of the efforts put forth to save them.

In our day school we have an average attendance of about seventy; in the night school we usually have at least twenty-five or thirty; and nearly twenty girls enjoy the privileges of the sewing classes. We conduct weekly prayer meetings, mothers' meetings and a Junior League. On Sunday morning we have a Bible study class, and in the afternoon the Sunday school, with an average attendance of over one hundred.

Besides this we aid the needy, visit the lonely, nurse the sick, pray with the dying, bury the dead, plead with the wayward, and point sinners to the "Lamb that taketh away the sin of the world."

We are greatly handicapped for a building, as the one which we are now using is wholly inadequate to our needs. The cotton mill company has promised us the deed for a very desirable lot as soon as we obtain sufficient money with which to build. We are praying that this may speedily be forthcoming so that we may have a suitable place in which to carry on the work.

Mt. Carmel, Pa.

Poplar Street.

Miss Elizabeth Larrish, *Deaconess.*

Another year has passed in our hilly city, crowded as usual with representatives of many nationalities, with many Churches illustrating all shades of the Catholic faith, and with several Protestant Churches which are trying to stem the tides of ignorance, superstition, and sin.

The mission work has been carried forward as usual, and the girls, who now have been for several years in the school, have reached the point where they are able to aid in caring for the little ones who come to the mission. Work in Mt. Carmel means a hand to hand conflict with many depressing conditions. Generous gifts have come to us from the people of the city. When in line of material for clothing the sewing school girls have aided in fashioning them into useful garments for the families of the poor. Little by little we are finding our way into the hearts of these foreigners because they are learning to trust us, and through us we hope they are seeing a purer faith and recognizing that our work is because of our love for Jesus Christ our Savior.

Scranton, Pa.

534 Pear Street.

Miss E. Hilda Evans, *Deaconess.*

This year has been crowded with duties. Below will be given in outline some of the work accomplished in this station. This city has in it so many foreigners of different races, so many shades of religious beliefs, and so many thousands who have no faith in God that the work has called forth the most active efforts of the deaconess, who has tried to the best

of her strength to meet the problems constantly arising before her. When days have been long, and one feels depressed lest the best has not been accomplished, there comes often the assurance that He to whom we give our best will measure the intent as well as the accomplishment.

Number of calls made, including canvass, hospital and sick, and parish calls, 3,213; calls received, 154; Hours spent in industrial schools, 26; number taught, 284; number taught in Junior Epworth League, 597; Hours study, 467; number meetings conducted or addressed, 12.

CENTRAL DEACONESS BUREAU.

Miss E. Jean Oram, *Secretary.*

1920 E. Ninety-third St., Cleveland, Ohio.

"A broken song—it had dropped apart
Just as it left the singer's heart,
And was never whispered upon the air,
Only breathed into the vague 'somewhere.'

"A broken prayer—only half said
By a tired child at its trundle bed;
While asking Jesus his soul to keep,
With parted lips he fell fast asleep."

Our hearts have long been sad over the continued illness of our dear Mrs. J. F. Mund, for whose restoration to health many prayers have gone up to our Heavenly Father.

Her family now request her release from all official relations to the Society, and Mrs. Mund has herself requested that Miss Oram be appointed to her place. Anticipating the time when she must lay down some of her duties to the Church, Mrs. Mund desired this lady as her possible successor, and in harmony with their own wishes as well as with those of others, Mrs. Mund, our retiring faithful Secretary, Miss Oram has been elected in her place as Secretary to the Central Deaconess Bureau. And thus comes to this office one chosen and prepared for its duties. We give to Miss Oram a cordial welcome to our official family, grateful for the aid she is rendering, and praying for God's blessings on her efforts.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mrs. Ella C. Hartshorn, *Superintendent.*

Another year has passed into history. We are truly grateful to our Heavenly Father for the way in which He has led us; and though not all fields have been green nor all our paths strewn with roses, yet we feel that He has guided us, and we know that the work is His. Our Home life has been exceptionally happy.

In our settlement work, especially, we feel that good progress has been made. We have held gospel services and cottage prayer meetings in addition to the industrial and Sunday school work we have formerly done, and we have been made to rejoice in seeing quite a number, and in some cases, entire families accept Christ as their personal Savior. The Boy Scout work has been organized among our settlement boys with Dr. William H. Veenboer, one of the prominent physicians of the city, as

Scout Master. He is ably assisted by four young men from our city high school. Our troop consists of three patrols, numbering more than forty boys. They are doing fine work, and it promises much in the lives of our boys.

We have had in our Home the past year six licensed and two unlicensed deaconesses, besides seven students. Two more probationers, members of last year's class, entered the work June first. July first, Miss Lower, class of 1910, came to act as Miss Clark's assistant in the settlement work; but on account of ill health she was obliged to give up the work in September. Miss Florence Williams, who would have been a senior in the training school, has taken her place. Miss May Beard, who was stenographer to Dr. Wilder last year, has come to help us in the office, and is making herself generally useful.

Our Travelers' Aid deaconess, who began work last year, has proved a valuable addition to our force of workers. Our two senior students, Miss Nellie D. Shorter and Miss Leah E. Knee, did probationer's work very acceptably during the summer vacation; Miss Shorter in Battle Creek and Kalkaska, and Miss Knee at Toledo.

We regret to report that we are to lose from our Home circle our senior deaconess, Miss Carrie Park, by way of the matrimonial road; but while we are sorry to see her go, we rejoice with her in her new found happiness, and pray God's choicest blessing upon her as she goes out to help establish another Christian home. May happiness attend her.

Miss Melva Nagler, an unlicensed worker, also expects to leave the work January first. She hopes to enter college soon.

As we look out into the future, we feel that it is rich with promise, and we are trusting God for larger and better things than we have yet known. One new feature of the work will be our Deaconess Home paper, the first copy of which has already left our office.

Cleveland Deaconess Home.

2233 East 55th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Miss Laura Morris, *Superintendent.*

To see the realization of one's dreams is a privilege that does not often come to the worker. But the members of the Cleveland Home have had the opportunity this year of seeing their fondest ones realized. Last year a good financial committee put our Home on a sound financial basis, and were so encouraged by the results that at the beginning of the second year they were ready to plan for larger things. Pledges covering the current expenses for the year have been secured. A fine property was secured—and here we now dwell.

Our new Home is centrally located on a cross-town street car line, making it easy of access. The house is a beautiful one, built a few years ago by a man of wealth for his own home. The best material was used in its construction, and money was not spared in making it a beautiful and attractive place. The rooms are well adapted to our needs, and with the third floor made into bedrooms, we will have all of the room that will ever be needed at the one center of work. The price we paid for the property, $17,500, is less than half of the original cost of the building.

We have met a debt of $4,000 on the West Side Cottage, and plans are being made to enlarge that work and to provide a suitable equipment for promoting its best interests.

The growth of the work at this Cottage has been marvelous, the classes and clubs having been more than full. The nursery is doing much in meeting the physical needs of the children, to say nothing of the intellec-

tual and moral training which they receive. The outlook for the future is most promising.

This West Side Cottage, located at 3000 Bridge Avenue, was purchased two years ago at a cost of $11,000. Early in the spring the mortgage was canceled and the property was dedicated. In connection with this service was the installation of Miss E. Louise Willmott as deaconess in charge. There was also the presentation of a purse of gold to Miss Mary E. Johnston, who had been in charge of this enterprise since its beginning. This purse came from members of the Board and other friends, as a tribute of love for her twenty years of faithful service in connection with this Home. Miss Johnston resigned from her place at West Side Cottage, was granted six months' leave of absence, and after spending the time with her parents in Southern Ohio, has entered upon work in St. Paul, Minn.

The Fresh Air Work in connection with the Epworth Leagues is one of ever increasing interest and inspiration to all. About three hundred children have spent ten days each as guests of Epworth Camp this season.

The Mothers' Camp has been taxed to its utmost in caring for tired mothers and their babies, and it has given each mother ten days of joy and gladness to brighten the cheerless life in which many of them are living.

In every department of our work, our one aim has been thoroughly to increase the efficiency of the worker, trusting the results to the One who hath said, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Detroit Deaconess Home.

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors, *Superintendent.*

53 West Elizabeth Street, Detroit, Mich.

We close the year with a song, and may we pass it on?

"His lamps are we, to shine where He may say;
And lamps are not for sunny rooms, nor light of day,
But for the dark places of the earth,
Where shame and wrong and crime have birth;
Or for the murky twilight gray,
Where wandering sheep have gone astray;
Or where the light of faith grows dim
And souls are groping after Him."

Into all these places the workers of Detroit Deaconess Home have been, with the firm, true purpose of "shining for Jesus." By no means have we shined all the darkness out of hearts and homes; nevertheless we are confident that the record of the past year will show that many a darkened corner has been brightened and many hearts comforted.

Parish work will never be duplicated, we believe, by any other form of service. By this means the deaconess is given, as in no other way, innumerable opportunities to know of the home—the very foundation of social, industrial, educational, and religious life. Personal effort in the retirement of the home, whether in basement, attic, cottage, or apartment, is productive of good. Our financial report at closing of year occasioned much rejoicing. The great host of Woman's Home Missionary Society women of the Conference, with which our Home and especially our Tillman settlement is so closely allied, respond most royally and substantially to any call we make for their aid. Supplies are generous and interest kind

and sympathetic. For the coming year our working force is to be increased by one industrial, one parish, and one Traveler's Aid deaconess. A probationer will be a member of the family, with some parish work in connection with the study course.

In response to a letter from the superintendent, a noble Christian woman said: "Why, yes; I would love to give $325 this year for the support of a deaconess, for *my* beautiful daughter God called to the heavenly home, and I will do it in memory of her." The promise is renewed for the coming year. Go, ye other women, and do likewise.

This is our song, this our pledge—we will continue to "shine for Jesus."

Fort Street Mission.

Miss Kate A. Blackburn, *Deaconess in Charge.*

Miss Deborah Kerfoot, *Deaconess Assistant.*

725 Fort Street, Detroit, Mich.

This mission is directed and supported by the Epworth League Union of our city and by the Detroit Deaconess Home, which furnishes the two deaconesses. It is in a crowded section of the city where many of the people, mostly Americans, work in the factories and have little to make life attractive. The building is supplied with a large mission room where are held the Sunday services and public gatherings, club rooms (also used for the sewing and cooking classes), kitchen, dining room, and other rooms, all conveniently furnished, as an illustration to the people of what a real home should be. A large, fine, new gymnasium has been erected on the grounds within the year and equipped with the material for work. There are gymnasium classes for both boys and girls, under a practical director. There are also clubs for women and girls, for boys and men; industrial classes; story hours for the children, as well as the different religious services and many lines of service which make it a busy center from which radiate large influences for righteousness.

Tillman Avenue Settlement.

Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors, *Superintendent.*

Miss Edith P. Mann, *Deaconess in Charge.*

Three deaconesses reside at this settlement, and the fourth, its superintendent, has her hand constantly upon this noble work, aiding in all lines and helping to direct to best possible results. Sunday school is held in the afternoon and service in the evening. Domestic science classes, boys' and girls' clubs, and kindergarten are successfully carried forward. Much good work has been done here in the past, notably that of Mrs. Keller, the influence of whose consecrated and heroic life and service still lives in the lives of those whom she touched, many of whom are among the most faithful workers. And while there is this evidence that the seed sowing of former years has fallen on good ground and is bearing fruit, we have faith to believe that this is true of much that we can not see, and so the workers press forward, giving of their best that they may be of real service to the people among whom they live and serve.

This settlement is in the heart of a large Polish Catholic parish and is meeting the same struggles that the Church has realized in all ages under these conditions. We pray and hope that our labors may be crowned with an abundant harvest.

The Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital.

3336 Collingwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

While this hospital must be reported with the other institutions of like character, the other part of our deaconess work will be placed here. The corporate name of this institution must, however, appear with the report of both lines of deaconess work in our city.

An added opportunity of service has been given us in the final transfer of the Flower Home for Girls to our Board of Managers. This institution is situated at 1324 Superior street, near St. John's M. E. Church. This splendid property, consisting of a brick house of about fifteen rooms, with a 100-foot lot, worth about $8,000 to $10,000. Mr. Flowers gave it about six years ago to a corporation known as the "Door of Hope;" after his bequest the name was changed to The Flower Industrial Home for Girls.

Our Traveler's Aid deaconesses take girls to this Home for shelter and help who have been attracted to the city for work or other purposes. The Juvenile Court has some of its wards there almost constantly. Employment in good homes is found for these girls as soon as possible. Girls who are earning too small wages to clothe and board themselves properly and live a decent life are cared for here at a moderate sum. Many a girl has been saved from ruin because this Home had served her at the parting of the way. This refuge has proved, as Mr. Flower termed it in his will, "a noble charity."

Miss Mary Vermilya, a deaconess, has been secured to take charge of this institution.

Genesee Conference Deaconess Home.

292 Niagara Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. E. A. Turney, *Superintendent.*

To gather up the threads and weave them into a report for a year's work is not easy; but we can say that the last year did not fail of success, and that it has been the most aggressive in our history.

Our mission is to the "other half." We may not always find them in dire poverty and squalor. There is, however, some poverty that brings distress equal to need of daily bread. There is sorrow, grief, despondency, yea, sin, often of the deepest dye. To whom shall despairing, weary souls look for comfort and cheer? They can not find peace from those who have taken it from them; therefore, some one must hold out to them the water of life coming from the same source that sent the poor woman of Samaria home rejoicing to tell of a Savior's forgiveness.

So our parish workers go about seeking to help the unfortunate. Four were engaged in Buffalo Churches ,two in Rochester. Through the winter months two deaconesses were kept busy in assisting ministers in the Conference where extra meetings were held.

Traveler's Aid work continued as usual at Central Station. Four months of service was rendered at Niagara Falls. There is great need of a Traveler's Aid there through the summer months, while the tourists are filling the city.

Our industrial plant claimed the entire time of the other deaconesses, and we also had the help of a number of young people from the Churches. One hundred and fifty boys and girls were enrolled; these were neighborhood children, many of them coming from homes where they were taught by their own parents falsehood and dishonesty.

Wood carving, iron work, and electricity were taught by Messrs. Johnson, Molineaux, and Heilman. The girls were taught sewing and domestic science, also music where we saw talent for it and the love of Christ.

Children had come to us; we nursed them in sickness and protected them from cruel parents. We had taken one orphan girl and for five years she has been our protégé. Last fall she was sent to Northfield Seminary. This year she assists in our orphanage work.

Constantly public school teachers, doctors, and others were pleading with us to take into our Home more children. After being called one day to the City Hall, the Surrogate placed two girls before me, saying, "The deaconess institution must take them." These girls had lost their mother five years before, and lived alone with a blind father in great poverty. The oldest, though but fourteen years of age, had been housekeeper and mother to the younger sister. Two others were sent by a public school teacher, their mother having been placed in the State hospital for insanity.

Minard Hall was soon filled and each child could have told its story of sadness and of heavy burdens such as little ones should not carry. Older people may learn valuable lessons from those whom we call "slum children." They do not speak of burdens or tell of the sad things that come into their lives unless urged to do so. Quickly they adjust themselves to better conditions. The past seems to fade from memory; they rejoice in a new found happiness.

Said a beautiful girl who knew nothing of want, whose environment was that of wealth, culture, and love, "Were you not shocked to hear that girl swear?" We had called in the home of the drunkard; the mother was dying, and upon the eighteen-year-old daughter rested the burden of caring for six younger children. She had not sought help from any source; her soul was full of bitterness, and she used words she had all her life listened to. Therefore my reply to the beautiful girl's query was: "No, I was not shocked. You have been taught to pray, and she to swear. Pardon me, but a slang phrase such as I once heard you use was worse than poor Maria's oath."

With Tennyson, we say:

> "Is it well that while we range with Science, glorying in the time,
> City children soak and blacken soul and sense in city slime?
> There among the glooming alleys Progress halts on palsied feet,
> Crime and hunger cast out maidens by the thousand on the street.
> There the master scrimps his haggard seamstress of her daily bread,
> There a single sordid attic holds the living and the dead."

Holloway Deaconess Home.

Bridgeport, Ohio.

Isabel C. Leitch, *Superintendent.*

The year has advanced with marked success. Nearly one thousand dollars has been expended in repairs and improvements to the Home. The interior of the Home has been beautified by new paper, paint, and many additional comforts, while the exterior has been repaired and painted. The Home now presents an attractive appearance, and is a joy to the hearts of resident workers.

The departments of work have each shown advancement. Nearly twelve thousand calls were made, in addition to Sunday school, Junior League, industrial classes, and many other demands made upon the time of the parish deaconesses. The industrial classes in the parish have been a great help to the children of these communities.

The Benwood Industrial Mission has had the best year of its history. The departments of work in progress are kindergarten, kitchengarten, cooking, sewing and basketry, gymnasium, clubs, and a much-appreciated reading room. Open doors to other departments are before us. For the development of these we must have more money and more workers.

Seven licensed deaconesses and one probationer have composed our family this year. Calls for more workers are frequent, and we pray that the day may speedily come when we shall be able to respond with the help needed.

Irene Maitland Deaconess Home.

124 North Jefferson Street, New Castle, Pa.

Miss Ida L. Kahlo, *Superintendent.*

One year has passed since the establishment of the Irene Maitland Deaconess Home at New Castle, and as we glance backward, we realize that great things have been accomplished. It has been beyond the expectations of the most sanguine, and we are rejoicing in the host of friends won throughout the Erie Conference for our work, and the result of their loving interest has made possible a most satisfactory year. We are now in our own Home, with every suggestion of comfort, and with prospects of most promising work.

The labors of Miss Jennie Anderson, parish deaconess for the First Methodist Church, have proved most valuable. She has been most untiring in her efforts to take cheer and comfort into the homes and hearts of the people, and the results of her loving service for the Master can not be estimated.

We are delighted over our good fortune in having just secured the services of Miss Anna Novacova, a Bulgarian, who has made a record for herself in her successful work among the Italians. She is particularly well qualified for her work, being able to speak six different languages, and versed in domestic science. We are anticipating through her a development of the needed work among the large number of Italians located in New Castle.

Miss Anna Blanche Hall of McPherson, Kansas, has been added to our number. A Personal Workers' Mission has recently been instituted in our city, and they have asked for the services of a deaconess. Miss Hall will be appointed to that field.

Ohio Conference Deaconess Home.

72 South Washington Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. E. J. Rogers, *Superintendent.*

Another year has closed, and we as a deaconess family have cause for great rejoicing. We are very comfortably settled in our own Home, containing twenty-one rooms, and furnished throughout. The dedicatory services were held the 15th of last November, Bishop Moore officiating.

Two new workers have been added to our family during the year. Miss Warde E. Greenought came from Sioux City, Iowa, and is doing very acceptable work as Travelers' Aid at the Union Station, being a friend to hundreds of people in various ways. Miss Capitola Leohner

came from Springfield, Mo., and is also doing acceptable work at the Third Avenue Church.

The work done by all our deaconesses is appreciated. The Settlement work is advancing along all lines. Our desire is to press onward to greater achievements the coming year. Our prayer is that God will lead us and keep us very close to Himself. We are willing to do our best, and leave the results with our Heavenly Father who knoweth all things.

Pittsburgh Deaconess Home.

2000 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss Margaret Boswell, *Superintendent.*

We are entering upon the twenty-second year of deaconess service in this city. The love and care of our Heavenly Father has been shown constantly as the work has developed. The house has been remodeled, and, with the addition, our accommodations have been doubled, and the Home is most complete. Our family is much more comfortable, and we have room for more deaconesses, who are in great demand. We also rejoice because the children and mothers of the neighborhood can be brought into our Home for kindergarten and meetings in the pleasant room in the basement. Our ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society have worked, and are still working, to meet the debt. There has been much interest shown by the Deaconess Board and other friends.

We have a family of twelve, though one is with her mother, and another will be in the training school this fall. Miss Alice Fulton graduated from our training school in Washington last May. She is a member of our own Conference, and will be consecrated at the session held in October. Miss Mary Collins, a deaconess kindergartner, also graduated in Washington, and was consecrated in her own Conference. She will have charge of the kindergarten and mothers in the Home.

The Epworth Fresh Air Home, provided by the Church Union and supported by the Conference Epworth Leagues, was a great blessing to the two hundred and fifty children entertained there and cared for by six deaconesses, assisted by young ladies from the Churches.

Miss Cameron was matron, and remained all summer. We sadly miss our dear Miss Haney, who was called suddenly to her heavenly home in December. She worked very diligently as Third Vice-President of the District League for this new Home, and the officers of the district have furnished the office and named it for this devoted deaconess. Her photograph is on the wall. The Travelers' Aid deaconesses have assisted more than five thousand persons at the Union Depot.

Our friends of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Churches, Sunday schools, and Leagues, have been liberal in sending supplies for the table and Home. We are very grateful for all these blessings, as they aid us in passing these good gifts to the needy and helpless.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. C. Behymer, *Training School Manager.*

"The Scotia," 38th and College Streets, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Training school Manager is a power of usefulness where she will take this matter on her heart, and make concrete her endeavors by finding desirable young women as candidates for training for deaconess work, and where she is willing to collect the money for their scholarships in our training schools.

Mrs. Behymer has for several years borne these heavy burdens and has produced grand results in accomplishing the above tasks. She is our banner Training School Manager, for whose services this Society is grateful. Who will compete with her for the first rank?

1050 West 27th Street.

Miss Lottie Conner, *Deaconess.*

Our Italian Mission has prospered during the last year, and, though we have lost many members by removal, they have gone from us with a clearer vision of Jesus. One little woman who came to the mission because she *"loved to sing about Jesus,"* slipped from under the burdens and went home to sing with Him.

We are praying and seeking for a permanent location in the midst of our people, that the mission may be not only a house of worship, but also a ray of light that will diffuse its radiance into the homes of our people. We are trying to realize that "'T is what we do, not what we say, that makes us worthy of His grace."

712 North Illinois Street.

Miss Anna Morris, *Deaconess.*

While our work for the most part has been that of house to house visitation, our services have not been limited to any one line. We have been engaged part of the time in evangelistic and field work. Where the workers are so few, it is almost impossible for the deaconesses to confine their work to any one line of service.

The Church to which we have given most of our time during the past year is located in largely mission territory. Homes have been visited where misery and poverty are written on every hand. Many of the little ones from these homes are being brought into the Sunday school—children who have seldom, if ever, heard the name of Jesus except in a profane way.

Our desire is that not only these boys and girls be led into lives of Christian usefulness, but that the fathers and mothers get a vision of that life "hid with Christ in God."

We need your prayers that the Divine Spirit may touch the hearts of the hosts of unsaved people in this city.

406 North Blackford Street.

Miss Josie Ragle, *Deaconess.*

The beautiful Church which I serve is situated in one of the most needy fields of this city, and is almost surrounded by rooming and boarding houses in which are hundreds of young men and women from smaller towns and the country. More than a hundred Methodist families, also many of other denominations, who have never identified themselves with any Church in the city, are living in our parish. Several have united with our Church, and many of the children from these homes are now enrolled in our Sunday school, which has doubled itself during the year. We have also organized the Cradle Roll Department, and hope to interest many mothers in the Church through this department and win them for Christ. A class of Junior boys has claimed our attention during the year.

This has truly been a blessed year for me. None of the great things perhaps have been accomplished, but as I have gone among the strangers, the sick, and the sorrowing, God has been with me, and we have been drawn closer to our Father.

Lexington, Ky.

Miss Donna E. Cooley, *Deaconess.*

My work has been serving the traveling public. This consists of aiding the aged and infirm, caring for children traveling alone, especially the blind and the deaf and dumb; helping the sick by calling for physicians, ordering ambulance or carriage for them, or getting medicine; directing people finding friends or relatives; pointing out respectable hotels or boarding houses; special protection to the young and ignorant girls coming to the city, often speaking a word to those living in sin, offering comfort and sympathy to those in trouble, giving material aid when needed, such as warm meals, lunches, clothing, or medicines; organizing a Reading Circle among the school girls, addressing missionary and temperance meetings. With open eyes and a ready heart to help all in need, I have tried to serve my Master.

WESTERN DEACONESS BUREAU.

2762 Charlotte Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. John W. Bush, *Secretary.*

With the forming of separate bureaus for Training Schools and Hospitals four of the institutions formerly reported from this Bureau are omitted, confining this year's report to that of work done by deaconess homes and the individual deaconesses in stations.

The year has been one of earnest effort and consecrated toil on the part of the workers in this Bureau; and though it has not been marked by any conspicuous event, we have faith to believe that the conscientious seed-sowing will bring forth an abundant harvest.

At Duluth, the only Home not housed in its own building, there have been very many changes through the year, but the loyalty of our Home Missionary women has kept the work in fine condition while shifting from one worker to another. The prospects are unusually bright for the coming year.

At St. Paul the co-operation of the municipal authorities with our

deaconesses brings to them many opportunities for usefulness, and because of this, our work has a wider scope and attracts the attention of many people in this Catholic city, who otherwise would know nothing of it.

At Sioux City the industrial work has been greatly helped by new buildings and efficient equipment for reaching the masses. The deaconesses from our Home have done faithful service in teaching and conducting the work at these various missions.

The work at Des Moines has been pleasant and profitable. The people of this city have learned to aid the poor and distressed through the medium of a deaconess, and have thus been able to reach and relieve helpless humanity. This Home, with its training school, brings together for mutual helpfulness the experienced worker and the student seeking opportunities for practical work.

At Wichita our Home has been a retreat and recuperating station for many of our deaconesses, whose work throughout the Conference takes them into many diversified fields.

At Denver the deaconesses have accomplished a great deal of good through their industrial classes and mission Sunday schools, and several churches stand to-day as the result of their labors.

The number of stationed deaconesses throughout this Bureau has been greatly increased this year, and yet the supply is insufficient to meet the demand. We feel that we can not speak in too high praise of these individual workers, for to them it is a rare privilege to see the results of their work. She unceasingly toils here and there, a few weeks or months at a time, on the lonely frontier, in the congested tenement district, in mining sections, in evangelistic work in small towns, and as travelers' aid.

"She doeth little kindnesses
Which most leave undone or despised,"

knowing that a faithful record is kept by the Master, whom she serves.

Throughout this entire Bureau, from Homes and Stations, there has come only words of encouragement, and from each and every one there comes a broader vision of even greater things to be accomplished for the Master, leaving the results with Him, knowing that

"Whate'er we leave to God, God does, and blesses us;
The work we choose should be our own, He lets alone."

Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training School.

1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss Mae Strickler, *Superintendent.*
Mrs. A. E. Sanford, *Principal.*

Paul said, "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." Many times during the past year has this timely advice come to our workers, for with untiring zeal the deaconesses go to and from their fields of labor.

Through the kindness and help of friends we have been able to help the poor, the distressed, and the suffering. At Christmas we had 550 children in the Mission Sunday schools to provide for, and beside the treat we were able to give each child a present of some kind. Then there were the old people, the sick and "shut-ins" that we remembered.

Our family during the past year has numbered thirty-seven and has been a consecrated band of Christian workers. The students assisted in the regular work throughout the city.

Altogether the year has been one of the best in the history of the institution, and we are still hoping for better things.

The prospects now are very promising. May we have your prayers and assistance, and may we expect great things of the Lord!

The spiritual atmosphere of the school throughout the year has been good. The students have had a high standard of Christian experience and life, and have diligently and prayerfully sought to cultivate every Christian grace. They have been abundant in labors, showing in many ways in their work in the mission districts, their devotion to the work and the fitness for it.

Twenty-six young women have been registered as students. All are bright, studious, and consecrated young women who know the value of time and the worth of human life, and it has been a privilege to be associated with them.

Great credit for the prosperity of the school is due the ministers, physicians, and others who so faithfully give their time and efficient services in teaching and in otherwise advancing its interests. The Iowa Bible Training School is not only fortunate in its teachers, but can compare favorably with any other training school in the country.

Our graduates are also in demand. The Superintendent of the Deaconess Home in Washington, D. C., took her training in our school; during the past year graduates from our school have been in Deaconess Homes at Newark and Jersey City, N. J.; Buffalo; Detroit; Urbana, Ill., and Minneapolis; one also is Elementary Secretary in the Sunday school work of this State. One of the recent graduates has been assigned to deaconess work in Kentucky, another to work in Vermont, and none will be left without an appointment.

We wish to thank the pastors who have so kindly permitted us to represent our work before their congregations, and the many friends who have contributed provisions and money; the Woman's Home Missionary Society, its officers, Auxiliaries and members for their confidence, interest, prayers, and loyal support; also the members of the Deaconess Bureau for their careful planning, their faithfulness, and for their tireless efforts to promote the best interests of the school and to extend its usefulness. Above all we thank our kind Heavenly Father for His many benefits toward us. The year has not been without its difficulties, its perplexities, and even its dangers; but Jehovah has graciously delivered us out of them all. Yea, and will deliver; for is the work not His own? Is it not for His sake and for the sake of those for whom He died?

Northern Minnesota Conference.

216 East Fourth Street, Duluth, Minn.

Miss Maude Severance, *Superintendent.*

During the past year nine deaconesses have been connected with this Home.

The Superintendent, Mrs. Mary Kreidler, resigned, another left for a home and fireside of her own, and our Finnish deaconess returned upon a visit to her native land, from which we are hoping her return.

The usual work in Churches and also along charitable and social lines has kept pace with the ability and time of these good workers. The Travelers' Aid has met 4,510 trains and thus aided many needy ones.

Our evangelistic workers have been assisting the pastors all over the Conference, and their labors have not been in vain. Much work has also been done for the Woman's Home Missionary Society in encouraging and organizing Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles.

God has truly blessed our work, and we are looking and expecting great things for the future. The fields are white for the harvest, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He send more laborers into the harvest.

Miss Trimble is still serving First Church, rendering inestimable service along all lines. Her ministries to the sick and shut-ins, and her work among the children and young people is especially valuable.

Miss Martin by her untiring labors as travelers' aid has made the need of that work so felt that a prominent business man has volunteered to support the second worker.

Margaret Evans Deaconess Home.

1630 Ogden Street, Denver, Colo.

Miss Isabel C. Leich, *Superintendent.*

The past year has been one of activity. Nine workers have been connected with the Home, seven working in Denver and two as parish workers outside of the city. For seven years Miss Louise Swickheimer has served most faithfully as deaconess at First Church, Colorado Springs. She is especially strong in Junior League work.

Three of our workers are engaged in city mission work. People's Chapel has had a faithful helper in Miss Irene Cummings. Sister Rhoda has been in "labors abundant," as usual, having served seven missions the past year. She is much loved by her Japanese boys, to whom she has given her evenings after a busy day in her mission work. One of her pleasant duties was to organize a Sunday school in a town remote from the railroad and where there was no religious service of any kind.

We are very happy in the development of our Italian work. We hope soon to have a building fully equipped for all lines of institutional work.

A Bible class for working girls has gladdened the heart of the deaconess as she meets them each week imparting the word of life to these tired girls. Expressions of appreciation are seen on their faces when they catch some new truth.

Two new members have come to our Home—Miss Ethel Harris from the San Francisco Training School and Miss Ivah Gillespie from Fisk Training School. It is with difficulty that we attempt to give an adequate conception of our past year's work. Sometimes we are tempted to be discouraged because we do not see actual results. At such times the spirit reminds us that we are not dealing with visible results; we are dealing with influences, and when God gives "souls for our hire" we are blessed indeed. And we are glad to report that the Master has given us some precious souls for His Kingdom. We are pressing onward and looking upward.

Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home.

181 College Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

Miss Stella Connor, *Superintendent.*

Nine deaconesses have the past year been members of the St. Paul Home. Miss Margaret Snyder is in charge of the station at Rochester. Here as a nurse deaconess she has worked under the auspices of the Civic League of that city. Miss Verta Naylor has been our district worker, serving the Churches at Northfield, Pipestone, Windom, Redwood Falls, Winnebago, Walnut Grove, and Worthington. Miss Grace Anna Meek, after one year's work in the Central Park Church, where she conducted

mothers' meetings and boys' and girls' industrial classes, now leaves for missionary work in China.

The Swedish work has been in charge of Miss Maria Douhan and the Norwegian of Miss Christine Anderson. Miss Mary Lee Winget has been parish deaconess for Grace Church and deaconess in charge of the Phalen Creek Mission, where industrial work and Sunday school has been conducted.

Miss Marion Perry's work has been that of a probation officer of the Juvenile Court, her support being met by the Queen Esther Circles of the Conference. In this court she has looked after the delinquent and dependent children of Protestantism.

Miss Hannah Nelson is our travelers' aid at the Union Depot.

The Home was dedicated last fall at the Annual Conference by Bishop Hamilton.

Shesler Deaconess Home.

1222 Jackson St., Sioux City, Iowa.

Miss Susie Morton, *Superintendent.*

We have just closed a good year. Nine workers have been employed and our work has been successfully carried forward. The cooking classes and other industrial work, with the night school, have been productive of much good.

The Wall Street Institutional Church is meeting a long-felt need. The Helping Hand Mission enjoys new and enlarged quarters, and a new deaconess has recently come to assist the one who has pioneered the work. The Syrian children are showing their appreciation of the deaconess by responding gladly to invitations to attend kindergarten and Sunday school. Our one aim is to lead all into a close friendship with the one great Friend. Our Travelers' Aid work has proven a great comfort to many a weary and perplexed traveler.

The gift of the three beautiful lots in an ideal location is a great joy to us, and we hope that in the near future we may have a comfortable and commodious Home erected upon them.

Again we wish to express our gratitude for the loving helpfulness of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It is largely to it we owe this open door of service. The Father's blessing has attended us in great measure and we look forward to another year of glad service.

Southwest Kansas Conference Deaconess Home and Training School.

457 North St. Francis Avenue, Wichita, Kan.

Miss Ida Hickman, *Superintendent.*

Until the year which closed July 1, 1911, the work in our Conference was largely devoted to the parish work. During the twelve months several new lines of work have been begun. In September, Miss Walker began work in the mission districts of the city; in February a deaconess was assigned to the important task of travelers' aid, and in the latter part of May our training school graduated a young lady who is now ready to begin work as a nurse deaconess in Wichita. We count these new lines of work to be among the most important in our Conference. Six deaconesses are working as pastors' assistants within the Conference.

Some changes have been made among the workers during the year. Dr. E. A. Hoyt, Principal of the training school, resigned on account of

failing health. Mrs. Hoyt, Superintendent of the Home, resigned to accompany her husband to a less changeable climate. Rev. J. I. Anderson was elected to fill the vacancy made by Dr. Hoyt's resignation, and Miss Hickman was elected Superintendent of the Home.

Miss Cora Brown resigned as parish deaconess at Trinity Church and in October left America to go to China as a missionary.

Mrs. Ella Johnson has been transferred into the Conference as a new member of our Home. The year closes with nine workers in the field.

We expect that progress will be made on all lines of work during the coming year.

WESTERN BUREAU STATIONS.

Miss Anna Hopkinson, *Deaconess.*

Miss Hopkinson has served as deaconess in the First Church, Burlington, Iowa. To be a deaconess in this live Church, with a pastor charged with electrical energy, and an active board of helpers, is a rare privilege. To the deaconess have come some rare opportunities of service, and to her heart rejoicings that God is able to help her in all things.

Red Oak Ia.

Miss Carrie E. Adams, *Deaconess.*

Miss Adams has for some months past served this station. While aiding in all good work, she is with the pastor helping to make concrete the teachings of our Master. "Anywhere, anything that will point to Christ;" this is her watchword.

Oklahoma, Ia.

Miss Alice Williams, *Deaconess.*

Miss Williams is district deaconess on the Oskaloosa District and has her headquarters at Oskaloosa. She is an excellent worker, assisting the ministers in special meetings. Her evangelistic efforts have been of great help to this local Church.

Washington, Ia.

421 W. Washington Street.

Miss Mary Crawford, *Deaconess.*

Another year of service has passed, bringing in succeeding days the usual duties and pleasures of service, sickness, death; times of refreshing and joy. Thus with joy and sorrow we press forward, happy in the assurance that God is with her. Many years has this unselfish deaconess been leading children and mature people to the sweetness and rest of faith in Christ and to a recognition of the practical value to daily life of His wonderful teachings.

Waterloo, Ia.

Miss Elizabeth Ogden, *Deaconess.*

Miss Ogden is serving well St. Paul's Church and is doing excellent service in the various lines of work placed in her hands by the pastor and his Official Board. We are praying that her work may be blessed to the good of many souls.

Chanute, Kan.

Miss Blanche Freeman, *Deaconess.*

This is the third year of strong, effective work that Miss Freeman is doing at this place, and she reports progress along all lines.

Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Miss Edith Gorby, *Deaconess.*

Miss Gorby has taken up this work within the past few months and is finding much that needs to be done in ministering to the sick and needy.

Guthrie, Okla.

Mrs. Ella Johnson, *Deaconess.*

Mrs. Johnson's work for this year is in connection with the Methodist Hospital in Guthrie, where she finds great opportunity.

Hutchinson, Kan.

Miss Minnie Leebrick, *Deaconess.*

The work of Miss Leebrick in connection with First Church has been much appreciated, and lasting results are being reaped from her labors.

North Nebraska Conference.

Miss Frieda Schmickle, *Deaconess.*

This is Miss Schmickle's fourth year of faithful, effective service in this Conference, where she has won the hearts of the people by her life and labors.

St. Joseph, Mo.

Miss Katherine Bowerman, Miss Mary J. Ryan, Miss Alice Walton, *Deaconesses.*

These three earnest workers are all taking up new work this year in St. Joseph, and gratifying reports are received of their services: Miss Bowerman with First Church, Miss Walton temporarily with Huffman Memorial, and Miss Ryan as deaconess for the other five Churches of the city.

Salina, Kan.

Miss Clara Baxter, *Deaconess.*

Miss Baxter's work with First Church is meeting with continued approval. Her work with the young people is especially strong.

Topeka District, Kansas Conference.

Miss Daisy Stewart, *Deaconess.*

This efficient, faithful worker, while she has been on the field but a few months, is doing a great work and is reaching the hearts of the people.

South Kansas Conference.

Miss Ollie Stewart, Miss Alberta Anderson, Miss Sarah P. Taylor, and Miss Beulah Rayson, *Deaconesses.*

Miss Stewart found it necessary to have a leave of absence for a year, to care for a member of her family; she expects to take up her work again as soon as possible. The other three workers are kept busy all the time, especially down in the mining district.

Wellington, Kan.

Miss Stella Corbin, *Deaconess.*

The earnest labors of this faithful deaconess are greatly appreciated and are fruitful in results. Miss Corbin is greatly desired in another field, but Wellington has the first claims.

Winfield, Kan.

Miss Jane Barrows, *Deaconess.*

Miss Barrows is deaconess for First Church and also is in touch with the young women of Southwestern College.

Northwest Kansas Conference.

Miss Addie Benedict, *Deaconess.*

After a year's leave of absence, during which she visited our Woman's Home Missionary Society work in the South and worked in connection with the Albany (N. Y.) Deaconess Home among the Syrians, Miss Benedict is again on the field where her work has been so fruitful for five years past.

PACIFIC COAST DEACONESS BUREAU.

3168 Twenty-first Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Mrs. John Stephens, *Secretary,* 3168 Twenty-first St., San Francisco, Cal.
Mrs. Lulu McMillin, *Assistant Secretary,* 129 Haight St., San Francisco,

A resumé of the year in the Pacific Coast Bureau would reveal a variety of work covering every phase of deaconess activity.

In and out of the homes of the people of all classes, in joy or sorrow, have gone the busy parish workers, bearing the gospel of peace and comfort wherever they go. Making friends with the children, gathering them into Junior Leagues, Sunday schools, and little Missionary Societies, they have ever held up the standard of the Cross and been a positive force in the communities which they have served. Over twenty-eight thousand calls are to the credit of these faithful toilers, who are no respecters of persons, but minister as faithfully to the foreign peoples as to those of our own nationality. Indeed, one of our parish deaconesses has been engaged as missionary to the Chinese and has had as interesting experiences as has had any missionary on the foreign field. For weeks Miss Reas tried to gain an entrance to the home of a wealthy Chinese gambler, but was looked upon with suspicion. Tact and kindness won, however, and she is now, with gifts of flowers as the "open sesame," a welcome weekly visitor to that home, where she is teaching this high-class Chinese lady the

simple gospel message. She is a friendly visitor in many Chinese homes and has been the means of having several children baptized in the Methodist Church. She teaches English in the night school for men, and conducts a Sunday school for the children.

In the seaport town of San Pedro, where many nationalities reside, our deaconess, Miss Reed, has in connection with her other duties as a parish worker conducted an industrial school among the children of these people, which has caused the priest great uneasiness. In fact he has forbidden Catholic children to attend at all, but so popular has the school become that the children defy even such high authority and continue attendance. Through the sewing schools with our city Churches this foreign problem is touched helpfully in many ways, and so the great deaconess cause is having its part in making one all the people of the earth. But what an opportunity is opening out before us, and what are we doing to prepare for the Christian training of the multitudes of foreigners that will be upon us as soon as the Panama Canal is open? The Pacific Coast is facing the greatest opportunity or peril of the century—opportunity, if we are ready for the influx of population; peril, if through indifference or heedlessness we are unprepared. Some earnest souls are already having visions and dreaming dreams, but the Christian people of the Coast and indeed of all the land must be aroused and induced to come to the help of the Lord.

Some encouraging things are noted. We are glad to say that our National Training School has a larger enrollment this year than ever before. Our graduates of last June, seven in number, are young women of gifts and graces, and are all at work; while the seniors of this year number nine, with an entering class of fourteen. This is good, but we ought to have an ever-increasing number of young women who would be glad to give their lives to heroic service for their State, their country, and their God, instead of frittering their time away in an ambition to become accomplished bridge players or fashion models.

A work that promises much in future development is that inaugurated by Miss Pierson upon Angel Island in San Francisco Bay, which is to be to the Western Coast what Ellis Island is to the Eastern. Here all immigrants are landed, and while the work is yet in its infancy, we forsee the time when this will be the port of entry for thousands of foreign women who will need the friendly service of Christian women. Miss Pierson has been the means of touching helpfully the lives of several white women who have been detained on the Island under the Interstate law forbidding the importing of women for immoral purposes, and has had the supreme joy of knowing that some have forsaken their sin and gone out to live pure lives.

Many of you will be glad to know also that Miss Pierson has been able to resume some work in the Presidio reservation among the soldiers for whom Mrs. Lincoln used to work so faithfully. A Bible class of twenty members meeting every Monday evening, another class in the post chapel on Sundays, and helpful visits to the hospital add to the usefulness of her busy life.

Our nurse deaconesses are doing splendid work in a quiet, unostentatious way. Indeed, so modest are they that it is hard to get them to speak of their work at all. But the dear Lord notes every act of unselfish love and unremitting kindness, and they will have their reward.

A most helpful service is that given by the Travelers' Aid deaconesses. In the busy depots and at the steamboat landings the "white ties" are ever in evidence, and many are the men, women, and children who have been aided, directed, and comforted by these workers. Particularly in Los Angeles, where so many come in search of health, sometimes spending

their last dollar to reach their desired destination, is the value of this Christlike service appreciated.

And so we continue our labors, earnestly and prayerfully, and we believe the hearts of our Methodist people were never so sympathetic with the deaconess cause as now. The prospects are "as bright as the promises of God," and we are proud to have some share in the task of making this fair Western land a part of the "Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ."

San Francisco Deaconess Home and Training School.

129 Haight Street.

Rev. E. R. Willis, D. D., *President.*

Miss Luly McMillin, *Preceptress.*

This Home and school form an institution, and the report will be found in connection with the other National Training Schools of this Society.

Southern California Deaconess Home.

511 S. Westlake Avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

Miss Lucy B. Metzger, *Acting Superintendent.*

The usual good and faithful work that characterizes this busy center has continued through another year. Mrs. Muilberger, the Superintendent, has the happy faculty of creating a homelike atmosphere, and from the restful environment of the Home the deaconesses go out to their work in the various Churches and depots "strong in the Lord and in the power of His might." We greatly regret her resignation from this work.

Parish and Travelers' Aid work is strongly maintained by the deaconesses connected with this Home. Miss Higgins, who is both deaconess and nurse, is rendering splendid service in the Methodist hospital; while Miss Chaffee, who for a time acted as matron in the David and Margaret Orphanage, is now doing splendid work in connection with the Methodist mission in Los Angeles.

Miss Sanborn, our evangelistic worker, was busy in field service until March, when she took up parish work in Fresno, which she has greatly enjoyed and in which she has been very successful.

Misses Lowry, Steele, and Metzger are still in ill health and unable to be in active service.

Wing Rest Home is a valuable asset to the deaconess work of Southern California, situated as it is at Huntington Beach, which is becoming a center for Methodist convocations.

Davis Deaconess Home.

347 Fourth East Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Miss C. E. Robinson, *Superintendent.*

Several changes have been made in our working force during the past year.

Miss Laura M. Balmer, at her own request, has received a certificate of discharge from the deaconess work, and has since married.

Miss Emma R. Lane came to us last October, but after a few months returned to the work in California.

We have as new workers for the coming year Misses Minnie I. Jones and Winifred M. Crispin from the San Francisco Training School, and Harriet E. Laney, who has re-entered our Home after an absence of four years.

Misses Ida R. Watson and Elizabeth Bellis, who have given acceptable service during the past years, will remain with us.

With this, our full quota of workers, we enter upon a new year hopefully.

Our friends of Selma, California, remembered us with a large barrel filled with canned and dried fruit, which was greatly appreciated.

DEACONESS STATIONS.

Boise, Idaho.

MISS REBECCA WEIGLE, *Deaconess.*

Miss Weigle has given a year of splendid service in the First Church. A good revival resulted in many accessions, and the faithful assistance of the deaconess is highly appreciated by the pastor who says she is a "treasure," and he could hardly get along without her.

Oakland, Cal.

City Missions.

MISS ESSIE JEBB, *Deaconess.*

Miss Jebb has been employed in developing the smaller Churches in the outlying districts, and has done invaluable service. Making over 2,000 calls, she has secured 107 Sunday school scholars, eighty members of the Cradle Roll Department, and fity-seven members of the Home Department, besides preparing data concerning the communities visited that will be of great assistance to the pastor.

First Church.

MISS KATHLEEN WEYBREW, *Deaconess.*

Miss Weybrew came to this important Church in January, and in every sense has made good. In addition to her work in the Sunday school she has given special attention to the Junior League, and has had remarkable success in dealing with the boys and girls.

Sacramento, Cal.

First Church.

MRS. HELEN R. PECK, *Deaconess.*

Mrs. Peck has had another good year in this growing center. Every department of the Church has felt the impelling force of the intelligent service of the deaconess who lends a helping hand wherever needed. A large class of young ladies has been formed into a Home Mission Band to study the problems of the homeland and how they may help to solve them.

Watsonville, Cal.

Miss Lucy Reas, *Deaconess.*

Miss Reas is employed as a missionary to the Chinese in this town, and has had some interesting experiences. Her principal duty is teaching English in the night school, which affords some opportunity for religious instruction. She also conducts a Sunday school among these people, and visits and teaches the women and girls in their homes. Some children through her efforts have been baptized in the Methodist Church; and the work, though slow, is encouraging.

Monrovia, Cal.

Miss Grace Adams, *Deaconess.*

Miss Adams has had a good year in this Church, assisting the pastor in every possible way. A record of 1,866 calls tells only a part of the activities of a year which has been fruitful in good works.

Ontario, Cal.

Mrs. Mary Widaman, *Deaconess.*

Mrs. Widaman returned from Ogden on account of ill health, but after a brief rest went to work in Ontario, in whose balmy climate she has been able to duplicate her record of past years. An interesting mission study class and the care of the Junior League have helped to fill up a busy, happy year.

Pasadena, Cal.

Miss Ada Breakenridge, *Deaconess.*

This great Church and Sunday school furnish splendid opportunities for a deaconess to employ her gifts in its service, and Miss Breakenridge has never failed to give of her strength and ability to meet these opportunities. A busy, fruitful year, with great joy in service, has resulted.

San Pedro, Cal.

Miss May Reed, *Deaconess.*

Miss Reed has labored here under some disadvantages, but with cheerful tact has done her best. An indusrial school composed largely of the children of foreigners resident in this seaport town has been so successful as to win the disapproval of the priest, who has forbidden the attendance of the children, but in vain.

Santa Maria, Cal.

Miss Georgiana Welker, *Deaconess.*

Miss Welker gave some months of faithful service here, but owing to ill health was compelled to retire from active work. An earnest, well equipped deaconess—her inability to continue the good work is greatly regretted by all.

Phoenix, Ariz.

1420 W. Washington Street.

Miss Flora Jacobs, *Deaconess.*

This year has been one that has tested the faith and strength of the deaconess. But God is good, and He has given her a sense of His presence, and she now undertakes work in this new field trusting the Father to give her courage and vigor with which to meet new situations and new duties.

BUREAU FOR THE SUPERVISION OF COLORED DEACONESSES.

Mrs. M. C. B. Mason, *Secretary.*

2231 St. James Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Once more we are called upon at the closing of the year to make the report of the work of our Bureau. While we have not been successful in bringing to pass during the year all that we had hoped for, still we have many things for which to be grateful.

Our station deaconesses have been earnest and faithful in the discharge of their duties, proving themselves truly consecrated workers for the Master.

Our deaconess training school has not yet been established. A special committee was appointed by the Board to go to Nashville to look over the grounds and building where the proposed Home is to be located. Such was the condition of the building that much repairing will be necessary to fit it for use, so that a new building would indeed be a blessing. However, the need for this work is so great that the Board of Trustees directs us, if it is practicable, to start the work on a small scale, hoping that as it grows the money will be forthcoming for the development of this important branch of Christian service.

The call of the Church to-day is for trained minds, hands, and hearts to work for the Master. Men and women are dying every day for the want of a kind word or sympathetic look to help them to the light. The call for help comes especially from our people, and well-trained, earnest, consecrated women are needed to answer this call.

The responsibility is upon us to prepare this training school for the preparation of workers to supply this need. We need your earnest cooperation and prayers as well as your support financially. We ask for the prayers and assistance of all who are in sympathy with this much needed work.

We wish here to bear witness to the faithful work done by Miss Martha Joiner and Miss Rose Simpson. We wish we had a host of such messengers of the cross.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL EMERGENCY HOME FOR GIRLS.

St. Louis, Mo.

This Home is under the management of the Methodist Deaconess Association and the Woman's Home Missionary Society, our Society contributing annually $1,000 towards expenses.

Twenty girls have been received since September, 1910, and at present there are eighteen in the Home.

Educational, industrial, and domestic science classes are maintained, all the work of the Home being performed under the supervision of teachers. The girls are assigned each month to a different line of work, thus enabling each to learn all the various kinds of work to be performed in a home. They are willing workers and their improvement is very marked. Most of the girls are members of the Union Church. The aim is to have all the life of the Home permeated by the spirit of Christ, and by precept and example teach the girls to lead true Christian lives.

COMMITTEE ON REST HOMES.

Mrs. S. W. Davis, *Chairman,* 1016 S. Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Bancroft Rest Home.

74 Cookman Ave., Ocean Grove, N. J.

Miss Madelyn Whyland, *Superintendent,* translated.

Miss S. M. Tudor, *Acting Superintendent.*

Miss Madelyn Whyland's Report.

Bancroft Rest Home from its organization has had a distinctive mission—that of providing a temporary resting place as well as a final home for those who have given their lives, with little remuneration, to the highest and sweetest of all missions, that of caring for the lonely, the burdened, the suffering of earth's little ones.

Under the wise management of the former Superintendents, and most important of all, the guidance and blessing of our kind Heavenly Father, our Home has been wonderfully prospered. The past year held its perplexities and brought its problems, but God has shown His hand in a marked way in the many blessings and comforts which have come to us.

This year we have entertained seventy-four deaconesses, twenty-five missionaries, fifty-three Christian workers, and a large number of friends. We are grateful to all contributors for the interest and assistance rendered us in the past year; and we trust under God that the opportunity of aiding this Rest Home by prayer and financial help may still be considered a privilege.

It has been the aim of the management from the beginning to keep the Home free from debt. The only burden which rested upon it was a note of $700, and this, happily, last year was reduced to $500, which amount we hope to cancel soon.

*A few days after the above was written by Miss Whyland, she suddenly slipped away from us to the better land.

Elvira Olney Rest Cottage.

Epworth near Ludington, Mich.

Reported by Mrs. Elizabeth G. Lewis, 338 Maple St., Battle Creek, Mich.

This summer the cottage was enjoyed by a large number of guests, among whom were two deaconesses, four missionaries, one Christian worker, and ninety-six other guests. The receipts, added to the last year's handsome balance, enabled us to cover all expenses, and left a balance in the treasury of $276.93 to begin next year's work.

Kate Cunningham Rest Cottage.

Ridgeview Park, Ridgeview, Pa.

Reported by Miss Margaret Boswell, *Superintendent Pittsburgh Deaconess Home.*

The Home was opened early in June. Six deaconesses and twenty-one friends enjoyed the pleasant cottage and beautiful park. On Methodist Day our Woman's Home Missionary Society held morning services in the auditorium. Miss Bertha Fowler, Superintendent of the Philadelphia Deaconess Home, gave a fine address.

The Pittsburgh Conference Epworth League was glad to have the cottage as their headquarters. Four conferences and a prayer service were held daily, and their Book Depository was also located here. Many were the expressions of gratitude for this haven of rest among the beautiful hills.

Thompson Rest Home.

Mountain Lake Park, Maryland.

Reported by Mrs. S. W. Davis.

A very pleasant as well as solicitous season has just ended for our beautiful mountain Rest Home. An increasingly large number of deaconesses and mission workers are taking advantage of the mountain air, walks, and drives, as well as restfulness of this one mountain Home of our Society. The season was longer than usual, owing to the desire of some of our workers to remain during September. The Home was opened for guests July 1st and closed September 15th, with a record of superb management by our highly valued Superintendent, Miss Octavia Hicks. Our Board of Managers also deserves praise for their untiring efforts to bring financial success. Through the efforts of Miss Hicks many and liberal donations of supplies were secured, representing a large number of Auxiliaries, bands, and friends.

Wing Rest Home.

Huntington Beach, California.

This beautiful spot for rest and recuperation has again this year been a blessing to many. Its unusually convenient and pleasant location make comfortable the attendance upon many interesting gatherings for Christian study and service.

To the tired and discouraged workers the air from old ocean is a blessing indeed, bringing vigor for work for still another year, and the meetings held in the pavilion furnish spiritual incentive. Strength, hope, and vigor came, and we exclaim, "Lord, if I may, I 'll serve another day."

BUREAU FOR HOSPITALS.

Mrs. D. B. Street, *Secretary.*

The Kenesaw, Washington, D. C.

During the past year the Secretary of this Bureau has, with two exceptions, visited all the hospitals of our Society. And while it has not been practicable for her to reach those in Florida and California, yet through correspondence she has had a care and knowledge also of their work.

Doors of opportunity through this agency are constantly opening to us, making indeed an embarrassment of offered riches. Hospital boards have such faith in our management that gifts of large institutions are frequently strenuously urged upon us. Just now we are being pressed to accept a hospital valued at $150,000. It is located in a large city where it has a large clientele and is in fine favor with the people. The task of caring for these institutions is so exacting and the demands so imperative that we always hesitate, and usually are forced to decline to receive these gifts important as they are to humanity.

Many incidents could be related proving the value of loving presentation of Christ to the sick and wounded soul. Our watchword shall continue to be, "For the love of Christ and in His name."

There are eight hospitals connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and two more that are at present waiting to be accepted by the Society.

Bethel Deaconess Hospital, Colorado Springs, Col.

Miss Florence E. Standish, R. N., *Superintendent.*

This hospital is the property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Colorado Conference, established under the care of the Society about eight years ago. It has steadily increased in favor until larger quarters have become a necessity. During the year just past the fine new building, located on an entire city square of ground, has been completed at a cost of $150,000. An interesting fact for hospital authorities is that the receipts of this hospital have more than met the current expenses in the few months since the new building has been entered.

Burge Deaconess Hospital, Springfield, Mo.

1327 Jefferson Street.

Miss Sarah Yandis, R. N., *Superintendent.*

This hospital was presented to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Thanksgiving Day, 1907. Two nurse deaconesses opened the work the following January. Later Mrs. Burge increased her gift, presenting an adjoining lot, erecting thereon a fine three story building with all modern equipments.

The training school for nurses was organized, the older building being used as the nurses' home. Eminent surgeons and leading physicians are giving their valuable time for the development of the work. Mrs. Burge, the valued Director, has lately added another gift of a house worth $5,000. The hospital is of great service to all the surrounding country where no Methodist hospital is available, and about one-third of the cases are charity cases.

The Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital, Toledo, O.

3336 Collingwood Avenue.

Miss Emma Enders, R. N., *Superintendent.*

This institution was the gift of Stevens W. Flowers, who made a will by which he gave a trust to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of a valuable property to be held "in trust for the Central Ohio Deaconess Home under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of said Conference." He further gave two sums of about $10,000 each (the Trustees receiving $20,810.96) to be used for the purpose of erecting a suitable hospital building on said real estate. One building has been completed and the other is in process of completion. During the past year the hospital has also accepted the Flower Home for Girls. This property consists of a brick house of about fifteen rooms on a one hundred foot lot worth about $9,000. Miss Emma Enders is the devoted and faithful Superintendent of the hospital. Miss Mary Vermilya, a deaconess, is in charge of the Flower Industrial Home for Girls.

Graham Protestant Hospital, Keokuk, Ia.

Miss Mary Jackson, R. N., *Superintendent.*

F. B. Dorsey, M. D., *Chief of Medical Staff.*

This is a deaconess hospital with Miss Mary Jackson, a deaconess of experience and ability, as Superintendent. The property embraces half a square of land near the City Park. They have recently made large additions to the property with an unusually fine modern operating room, which has greatly increased its facilities. The training school in connection with it has a three years' course, which is open to all Christian women.

The Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of the State of Indiana.

16th Street and North Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dr. W. T. Graham, *Superintendent.*

This is owned by a Board of eighteen Trustees, twelve being elected by the three Indiana Conferences, and six by the Woman's Home Missionary Societies of the three Conferences, the Society being, therefore, one-third corporate holder of the property. It occupies an entire square in the city of Indianapolis, one block of ground containing almost four acres. The total cost of the hospital buildings and grounds has been $250,000. Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks is the President of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. W. T. Graham, the very efficient and capable Superintendent of the hospital. Miss Mary Knapp, deaconess, has her special duties, among which are the care of the patients who desire Christian ministration. She with the other deaconesses in connection with the work in Indianapolis are under the immediate care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the city.

The Methodist Hospital of Southern California.

2226 S. Hope St., Los Angeles, Cal.

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Miss Emma Higgins, *Nurse Deaconess.*

This hospital is owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference. During the past year it has moved to large new quarters, and is rapidly growing into a great and useful institution.

Sibley Memorial Hospital.

1150 N. Capitol St., Washington, D. C.

Rev. Wm. H. Wilder, D. D., *Superintendent.*

This is the Nurse Training Department of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School. It has been a year of most valuable service and steps are now being taken to erect a fine building that will be able to accommodate a larger number of patients. The waiting list of applicants is far beyond the ability of the present hospital to care for. The Superintendent is Rev. W. H. Wilder, D D.

Brewstei Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Olive Webster, *Superintendent.*

This hospital also belongs to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It is the only hospital for the care of the sick of the Negro race, and the training of the colored nurses in the South. Mrs. Olive Webster is the faithful and efficient Superintendent, and deserves great credit for the success and growth of the hospital.

SUMMARY OF THE DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

With the exception of a few of the smaller Homes under our care, not counting the two hospitals affiliated with us, our Society owns the property in which these institutions are housed. Ten of the larger institutions given in the table of statistics own, besides the Home, one, two, or three other buildings for the use of the work. Two of these buildings are mentioned in the table; the others are not. The list below indicates the variety of work undertaken.

Our Society has, for the housing of its work:

50 Deaconess Institutions.
11 Industrial buildings, and kindergartens are connected with these.
7 include Training Schools as well as Homes.
1 Orphanage includes a Home.
2 Hospitals include also a Home.
3 Homes include small hospitals.
5 are exclusively hospitals.
5 are exclusively Rest Homes, two of which are open permanently, while the others are used only in summer.
1 Home has a dispensary, with a resident physician and resident trained nurse.

STATISTICS OF THE DEACONESS WORK.

DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS.	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Value of Property Loaned	Licensed Deaconesses	Unlicensed Deaconesses & Probationers	Stations	Students taking Bible Training	Students taking Nurse Training	Calls of all kinds made	No. of Sick Nursed in Hospitals	No. of Sick Nursed in Homes	Aggregate No. of Children Taught in Industrial Homes	Aggregate No. of Children Taught in Sunday Schools	Receipts from all Sources	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training School	1891 1897	$14,000 00 x 2,100 00	$3,000 00		7	6	.....	3	.....	8,953	.....	26	4,717	3,425	$5,602 08	$3,225 62
Baltimore Deaconess Home. Mt. Taber Industrial Building	1892	40,143 88	9,000 00		13	1	.....	.....	.....	20,258	.....	391	16,613	8,401	5,812 50	4,951 88
*Bancroft Rest Home	1896	7,500 00	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	3,567 63	3,272 13
Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training School	1892	18,000 00	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	27	.....	14,241	.....	21	5,766	2,883	4,318 87	4,961 05
¶Brooklyn Deaconess Home and Training School	1892	x 10,000 00	....	$20,000 00	13	3	2	.....	.....	29,868	3,105	.....	6,090	.....	7,074 38	5,660 93
Beth-El Hospital	1903	115,000 00	Bonds, 35,000 00	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	490	.....	.....	.....	12,023 27	11,246 63
Cleveland Deaconess Home	1890	30,813 54	.....	.....	17	7	.....	.....	.....	22,466	.....	38	16,446	6,418	13,609 70	6,907 18
Cunningham Children's Home	1895	33,312 44	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000 00	6,340 45
Davis Deaconess Home	1895	20,000 00	.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	3,268	.....	2	.....	.....	1,575 90	1,524 32
Detroit Deaconess Home. Tillman Avenue Mission	1889	24,000 00 7,000 00	1,800 00	.....	13	1	.....	.....	.....	14,087	.....	.....	400	....	4,864 00	4,251 17
Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial Deaconess Home	1905	8,000 00	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	1	.....	5,124	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,779 96	1,702 57
Duluth Deaconess Home	1908	Furniture, 600 00	Rent,	.....	8	1	.....	.....	.....	4,341	10	12	70	.....	1,847 71	1,730 63
Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital	1906	52,800 00	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	5	105	221	12	.....	....	5,524 32	5,410 00
Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital	1906	60,000 00	10,000 00	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	344	.....	.....	....	15,611 65	15,512 25
*Elvira Olney Rest Home	1900	512 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	426 94	434 14
‡E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home and Open Door Mission	1899	8,000 00 3,000 00	1,300 00	.....	8	3	1	.....	.....	4,656	.....	9	547	2,134	2,797 86	2,683 97
Genesee Conference Deaconess Home	1890	38,367 87	8,800 00	.....	10	1	2	.....	1	13,501	.....	555	2,986	187	8,985 33	8,459 38
Graham Protestant Hospital	1901	40,000 00	13,600 00	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	9	....	266	.....	.....	.....	12,065 55	11,401 53
Holloway Deaconess Home	1900	10,000 00	.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	11,942	.....	6	6,146	2,076	3,790 14	2,781 69
Irene Maitland Deaconess Home	1910	25,100 00	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,192	....	1	.....	789	661 85	623 93
¶Jersey City Deaconess Home	1898	Furniture, 2,000 00	.....	15,000 00	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,151	.....	78	300	8,865	2,722 14	2,638 78

GENERAL NOTE—Names of deaconesses are reported in their present fields of labor to date September 23, 1911. The work is reported in the home or station where it was done during the past year. x Endowment. ¶ Property owned by Evangelization Union. ‡ Debt on Mission property.
*Rest Homes are reported one-half the value of property, current expenses, and supplies, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is Deaconess property.

Kansas City National Training School and Deaconess Home	1899	$91,000 00			13	2		44		18,558	6	60	176		$10,998 37	$9,136 14
Methodist Hospital of Southern California	1909	30,000 00 x5,000 00	$8,500 00		1				2		240					
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School (Bible Department)	1894	264,232 92	15,331 44		3			37	60		1,304				65,201 98	64,479 43
Sibley Memorial Hospital (Nurse-training Department)																
McKelvey Deaconess Home	1899	15,000 00	6,000 00		7	1				6,000			1,864	2,145	3,843 65	3,410 30
Maine Conference Deaconess Home	1903	14,000 00	1,900 00		8	3				5,275		16	1,792	1,129	2,185 24	2,181 19
Margaret Evans Deaconess Home	1898	16,000 00	5,500 00		10	1				13,189		64	2,404		3,902 79	3,642 39
‖Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of State of Indiana	1905	222,000 00	60,000 00						45		1,130					
Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home	1907	17,000 00	5,500 00		11	1	1			16,075		67	439		5,720 60	4,084 60
Newark Conference Deaconess Home	1899	9,800 00	5,800 00		7					6,800		19		2,330	3,024 54	2,476 59
Philadelphia Deaconess Home	1889	46,000 00	5,000 00		10	4				15,620		29	17,228	5,706	13,603 59	13,176 15
Pittsburgh Deaconess Home	1890	40,000 00 x3,500 00	10,000 00		11	4				6,581			6,300	6,048	5,489 87	5,142 64
San Francisco National Training School and Deaconess Home	1901	30,000 00			7	1	4	12		11,716		45	1,769	2,283	7,557 68	7,403 01
Shesler Deaconess Home	1901	14,000 00	2,000 00		10	1	2			10,960			5,766	2,883	2,756 61	2,810 59
Southern Cal. Conf. Deaconess Home.	1896	15,000 00			7	1	4			6,660		11	874	740	5,308 70	4,671 96
S. W. Kansas Conference Deaconess Home	1898	10,500 00			9	2		2		11,960		51	1,138	1,338	2,647 97	2,453 87
Stone Settlement Deaconess Home	1906	7,500 00	1,100 00		2					3,487			1,140	1,240	2,205 68	1,475 44
*Thompson Rest Home	1899	2,500 00													377 30	184 77
Utica Italian Mission	1906	6,500 00			2					1,040			2,788	474	1,127 01	1,102 66
Washington Deaconess Home	1890	11,517 90	8,389 70		6	2				3,077				586	3,294 42	3,589 91
Wilmington Deaconess Home	1907	666 00			4	4				3,638		20	4,146	2,181	2,560 37	1,852 34
*Wing Rest Home	1906	1,800 00														
***Kate Cunningham Rest Cottage																
Vermont Conference Deaconess Home	1911	4,500 00	1,400 00		4	1				2,221			96	200	1,725 00	1,700 00
°Anthracite Mission Deaconess Home	1911	Furniture 650 00		$2,200 00	1	1				1,798		28	8,580	2,280	3,998 53	1,256 24
Amee Home for Working Women and Girls	1911	x2,500 00 3,000 00														
Permanent Deaconess Fund		11,626 34														
Deaconesses on Detached Service					16	8										
†Albuquerque Hospital	1911	2,500 00														
Totals		1,448,543 39	218,921 14	38,700 00	287	63	16	126	146	211,808	7,116	1561	116,581	66,741	264,191 68	241,9 4

*Rest Homes are reported one-half the value of property, current expenses, and supplies, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is Deaconess property.
x Endowment. ‖ Affiliated. ***Connected and reported with Pittsburgh Deaconess Home.
° $2,200 loaned to cover option on property for one year, when purchase will be made.
† Deaconess Hospital at Albuquerque, New Mexico, is approved, subject to the endorsement of New Mexico Mission Conference.

STATISTICS OF THE DEACONESS WORK—Continued.

DEACONESS INSTITUTIONS.—Continued.	Year of Establishment	Value of Property and Endowment	Debt	Value of Property Loaned	Licensed Deaconesses	Unlicensed Deaconesses & Probationers	Stations	Students taking Nurse Training	Students taking Bible Training	Calls of all kinds made	No. of Sick Nursed in Hospitals	No. of Sick Nursed in Homes	Aggregate No. of Children Taught in Industrial Homes	Aggregate No. of Children Taught in Sunday Schools	Receipts from all Sources	Current Expenses for Fiscal Year
DEACONESS STATIONS.																
*Albuquerque, N. M	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	691	.....	5	....	135	.....	≈650 00
Altoona, Pa	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,454	.....	.....	210	.....	162 17	≈625 00
Angel's Island and Presidio, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	≈350 00
†Bristol, Ct	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Binghamton, N. Y	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,544	.....	3	.....	.....	459 79	426 89
†Brooklyn, N. Y	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
‖Burlington, Vt	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Burlington, Ia	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,294	.....	.....	.....	89	.....	≈350 00
Boise City, Idaho	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,644	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	395 45
Cedartown, Ga	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	331	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	≈350 00
Chanute, Kans	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,119	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	≈350 00
Cleveland, O	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,865	.....	.....	.....	.....	69 20	≈350 00
Concordia, Kan	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,970	.....	3	.....	247	.....	≈300 00
East St. Louis, Ill	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,866	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 90	350 00
Ellsworth District, Kans	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	940	.....	2	.....	375	.....	350 00
②Flower Home for Girls, Toledo, O	.....	.....	.....	60,000 00	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
***Fresno, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
°°Indianapolis, Ind	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	2,738	.....	7	.....	.....	8 00	≈1,050 00
Kokomo, Ind	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	450	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington, Ky	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	350 00
Monrovia, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,866	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	348 65
Mount Carmel, Pa	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,166	.....	3	191	.....	148 00	350 00
†Mount Pleasant, Utah	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. Nebraska Conference	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1,315	.....	3	.....	80	.....	≈350 00
††Oakland, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,719	.....	1	304	.....	20 00	472 85
*Pasadena, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,436	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	562 71
‡‡Patterson, N. J	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
†Port Chester, N. Y	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
†Provo, Utah	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Work of one Deaconess reported. † No report received. ‖ Work reported with E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.
② This property is reckoned in the loan column waiting for the decision of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church as to the legal rights of the Society in this property. *** Connected and reported with So. Cal. Conf. Deaconess Home. ‡‡ Work reported with Jersey City Deaconess Home.
≈ Approximated. †† Work of two Deaconesses reported. °° Work of three Deaconesses reported.

Ontario, Cal.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	929	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00	300 00
¶Rochester, Minn.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
*Rochester, N. Y.	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sacramento, Cal	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	488	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	540 00
Salina, Kans.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,046	.....	.....	.....	713	5 00	≷350 00
***Santa Maria, Cal.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
San Pedro, Cal.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	613	.....	.....	307	.....	.....	360 00
Scranton, Pa.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,992	.....	2	185	.....	.....	120 00
Sedalia, Mo.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,250	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	≷350 00
St. Joseph, Mo.	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,060	.....	6	.....	.....	200 00	≷350 00
Syracuse, N. Y.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	≷350 00
Washington, Ia.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,093	.....	.....	.....	196	.....	≷350 00
Watsonville, Cal.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	248 40
†York, Neb.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waterloo, Ia.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,425	.....	15	.....	369	110 00	≷350 00
St. Louis, Mo.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,236	16	272	85	.....	47 80	67 20
Marshall, Tex.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1,777	4	14	.....	.....	24 00	50 00
Montclair, N. J.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	230	10	16	.....	.....	.....	25 00
^Peru, Kan.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Columbus, Kan.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Red Oak, Ia.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Olive Hill, Ky.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Oskaloosa Dist., Ia.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Boaz, Ala.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Upper Iowa Conf.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Los Angeles, Cal.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Topeka, Kan., Dist.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Ridgeway, Pa.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Harrisburg, Pa.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Kansas City, Mo.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
^Altoona, Kan.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	6	.....	.....	.....	47,777	30	400	1,282	2,224	1,454 86	12,142 15
Grand Totals	.....	$1,448,543 39	$218,921 14	$38,700 00	357	69	16	126	146	259,585	7,146	1961	117,863	68,965	$265,646 54	$254,092 60

¶ Work reported with Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home.
*** Work reported with So. California Conf. Deaconess Home.
* Work reported with Genesee Conference Home.
† No report received.
≷ Approximated.
^ Work entered upon since July 1st, 1911.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF DEACONESS HOMES.

* For Rest Homes only one-half of receipts, disbursements and balances are reported, with the exception of Wing Rest Home, which is deaconess property.
† Receipts and disbursements reported with Southern California Conference Deaconess Hom
‡ Balance in bank, July 1, 1910, does not agree with last report.
⁂ Entered upon work since July 1, 1911.
‖ Receipts and disbursements reported with E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home.
¶ No report received.
° Reported with Pittsburg Deaconess Home.
** Connected with Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital.
†† Receipts and disbursements reported with Jersey City Deaconess Home.
‡‡ Reported with Minnesota Conference Deaconess Home.
⁂⁂ Reported with Genesee Conference Deaconess Home.
‖‖ Home established in 1911.
¶¶ Bal. in Treasury for July 1, 1910, does not agree with last report, which was closed August 1, 1910.
°° Bal. in Treasury July 1, 1910, does not agree with last report, which included Building Fund.
*** Report sent back for correction, but not returned in time to be entered here.

Aldrich Memorial:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$1,941 39	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	3,242 56	
	$5,183 95	
Disbursements	3,450 96	
Balance, 1911		$1,732 99
‖‖*Anthracite Mission:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....
Baltimore:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$1,010 17	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	4,802 33	
	$5,812 50	
Disbursements	4,951 88	
Balance, 1911		860 62
*‡*Bancroft Rest Home:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$395 67	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	3,171 95	
	$3,567 62	
Disbursements	3,287 13	
Balance, 1911		280 49

***Beth El Hospital:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....
Bidwell:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$26 76	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	5,018 87	
	$5,045 63	
Disbursements	4,961 05	
Balance, 1911		84 58
Brooklyn:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$22 22	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	6,252 16	
	$6,274 38	
Disbursements	5,660 93	
Balance, 1911		613 45
Cleveland:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$1,546 38	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	13,238 21	
	$14,784 59	
Disbursements	11,681 42	
Balance, 1911		3,103 17
Cunningham Children's Home:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$846 03	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	9,403 28	
	$10,249 31	
Disbursements	8,905 13	
Balance, 1911		1,344 18
Davis:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$76 18	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,575 90	
	$1,652 08	
Disbursements	1,574 32	
Balance, 1911		77 76

Detroit:		
Receipts—Deficit, 1910	$495 87	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	4,864 00	
	$4,368 13	
Disbursements	4,251 17	
Balance, 1911		116 96
¶¶*Duluth:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$83 11	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,847 71	
	$1,930 82	
Disbursements	1,730 63	
Balance, 1911		200 19
Dwight W. Blakeslee:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$95 43	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,779 96	
	$1,875 39	
Disbursements	1,702 57	
Balance, 1911		172 82
‡*Ellen A. Burge Deaconess Hospital:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$235 53	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	5,288 79	
	$5,524 32	
Disbursements	5,497 04	
Balance, 1911		27 28
°°*Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$45 53	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	15,611 65	
	$15,657 18	
Disbursements	15,512 25	
Balance, 1911		144 93
**Elvira Olney Rest Home:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$145 71	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	426 94	
	$572 65	
Disbursements	434 19	
Balance, 1911		138 46

E. W. Griffin:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$122 13	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	2,675 73	
	$2,797 86	
Disbursements	2,683 97	
Balance, 1911		113 89

Genesee Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$8,289 74	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	8,985 33	
	$17,275 07	
Disbursements	8,859 38	
Balance, 1911		8,415 69

Graham Protestant Hospital:

Receipts—Balance, 1919	$40 54	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	12,065 55	
	$12,106 09	
Disbursements	11,401 53	
Balance, 1911		704 56

Holloway:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$232 97	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	3,557 17	
	$3,790 14	
Disbursements	3,537 69	
Balance, 1911		252 45

Irene Maitland:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	661 85	
	$661 85	
Disbursements	623 93	
Balance, 1911		37 92

Jersey City:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$389 66	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	2,722 14	
	$3,111 80	
Disbursements	2,638 78	
Balance, 1911		473 02

Kansas City National Training School:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$140 86	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	10,998 37	
	$11,139 23	
Disbursements	10,867 28	
Balance, 1911		271 95
¶*Methodist Hospital of Southern California:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$517 66	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (including $6,000 bequest)	65,201 98	
	$65,719 64	
Disbursements	64,479 43	
Balance, 1911		1,240 21
McKelvey:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$216 57	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	3,843 65	
	$4,060 22	
Disbursements	3,410 30	
Balance, 1911		649 92
Maine Conference:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$19 99	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	2,185 24	
	$2,205 23	
Disbursements	2,181 19	
Balance, 1911		24 04
Margaret Evans:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$538 87	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	3,902 79	
	$4,441 66	
Disbursements	4,283 19	
Balance, 1911		158 47

¶*Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of the State of Indiana*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....
***Minnesota Conference:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....
Newark:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$751 34	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	3,052 83	
	$3,804 17	
Disbursements	3,188 76	
Balance, 1911		615 41
Philadelphia:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$2,396 07	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	11,207 52	
	$13,603 59	
Disbursements	13,176 15	
Balance, 1911		427 44
Pittsburgh:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$656 10	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	5,489 87	
	$6,145 97	
Disbursements	5,142 64	
Balance, 1911		1,003 33
San Francisco National Training School and Deaconess Home:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$533 30	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	7,024 38	
	$7,557 68	
Disbursements	7,403 01	
Balance, 1911		154 67

Shesler:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$946 28	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	2,756 61	
	$3,702 89	
Disbursements	2,810 39	
Balance, 1911		892 50
Southern California Conference:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$1,035 12	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	4,273 58	
	$5,308 70	
Disbursements	4,671 96	
Balance, 1911		636 74
Southwest Kansas Conference:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$807 15	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	2,647 97	
	$3,455 12	
Disbursements	2,453 87	
Balance, 1911		1,001 25
‡*Stone Settlement:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$247 85	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	1,905 68	
	$2,153 53	
Disbursements	1,981 15	
Balance, 1911		172 38
**Thompson Rest Home:*		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$42 06	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources	335 24	
	$377 30	
Disbursements	184 77	
Balance, 1911		192 53
Utica Italian Mission:		
Receipts—Balance, 1910	$113 36	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources (Building Fund not included)	1,127 01	
	$1,240 37	
Disbursements	1,112 39	
Balance, 1911		127 98

|||*Vermont Conference:*

Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....

Washington:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$499 45	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	3,294 42	
	$3,793 87	
Disbursements	3,589 91	
Balance, 1911		203 96

Wilmington:

Receipts—Balance, 1910	$577 53	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	1,596 97	
	$2,174 50	
Disbursements	1,852 34	
Balance, 1911		322 16

††*Wing Rest Home:*

Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....

°*Kate Cunningham Rest Cottage:*

Receipts—Balance, 1910	.....	
Auxiliaries W. H. M. S. and other sources..	.....	
	.....	
Disbursements	.....	
Balance, 1911		.....

STATIONS.

Albuquerque, N. M.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$650 00
Disbursements	650 00

Altoona, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$787 17
Disbursements	787 17

Angel's Island and Presidio, Cal.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

¶*Bristol, Conn.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Binghamton, N. Y.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $459 79
Disbursements 459 79

¶*Brooklyn, N. Y.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

‖*Burlington, Vt.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Burlington, Iowa:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

Boise City, Idaho:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $405 45
Disbursements 405 45

Cedartown, Ga.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

Chanute, Kan.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

Cleveland, Ohio:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $419 20
Disbursements 419 20

Concordia, Kan.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $300 00
Disbursements 300 00

East St. Louis, Ill.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $440 90
Disbursements 440 90

Ellsworth District, Kan.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$350 00
Disbursements	350 00

***Flower Home for Girls, Toledo, Ohio:*

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	
Disbursements	

†*Fresno, Cal.:*

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	
Disbursements	

Indianapolis, Ind.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$1,058 00
Disbursements	1,058 00

¶*Kokomo, Ind.:*

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	
Disbursements	

Lexington, Ky.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$350 00
Disbursements	350 00

Monrovia, Cal.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$348 65
Disbursements	348 65

Mt. Carmel, Pa.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$498 00
Disbursements.	498 00

¶*Mt. Pleasant, Utah:*

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	
Disbursements	

North Nebraska Conference:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$350 00
Disbursements	350 00

Oakland, Cal.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$492 85
Disbursements	492 85

Pasadena, Cal.:

Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources..	$587 71
Disbursements	587 71

††*Patterson, N. J.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

¶*Port Chester, N. Y.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

¶*Provo, Utah:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Ontario, Cal.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $375 00
Disbursements 375 00

‡‡*Rochester, Minn.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§§*Rochester, N. Y.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Sacramento, Cal.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $540 00
Disbursements 540 00

Salina, Kan.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $355 00
Disbursements 355 00

†*Santa Maria, Cal.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

San Pedro, Cal.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $360 00
Disbursements 360 00

Scranton, Pa.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $120 00
Disbursements 120 00

Sedalia, Mo.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

St. Joseph, Mo.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $550 00
Disbursements 550 00

Syracuse, N. Y.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

¶*Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Washington, Iowa:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $350 00
Disbursements 350 00

Watsonville, Cal.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $248 40
Disbursements 248 40

¶*York, Neb.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

¶*Waterloo, Iowa:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

St. Louis, Mo.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $115 00
Disbursements 115 00

Marshall, Texas:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $74 00
Disbursements 74 00

Montclair, N. J.:
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. $25 00
Disbursements 25 00

§*Peru, Kan.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Columbus, Kan.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Red Oak, Iowa:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Olive Hill, Ky.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Oskaloosa District, Iowa:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Boaz, Ala.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Upper Iowa Conference:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Los Angeles, Cal.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. .....
Disbursements ....

§*Topeka, Kan.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Ridgeway, Pa.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Harrisburg, Pa.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Kansas City, Mo.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

§*Altoona, Kan.:*
Receipts—Aux. W. H. M. S. and other sources.. ....
Disbursements ....

Total receipts of Deaconess Homes.....	$263,125 03
Total disbursements of Deaconess Homes.....	236,134 68
Balance in treasuries.....	$26,990 35

Reports of Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

ARIZONA MISSION.

It is with regret that in presenting our report we can not report advancement along all lines of work. Some of our Auxiliaries have had to disband because of the lack of competent leaders. In others almost the entire membership moved away. Such conditions exist in our Churches located in the mining districts. Our Auxiliaries in the Salt River Valley have done excellent work. Our Conference anniversary last October was the best ever held. The presence of Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Miller was a great inspiration.

We are proud of our Tucson Home and the work that it is doing, and are grateful to our Eastern friends for the help which they have given us.

We trust that the future has great things in store for us, and ere another year goes by we may have an increased interest in the work and more consecrated workers. Pray for us.

MRS. ROBERT E. WRIGHT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ARKANSAS.

I am glad to note that a new impetus has been given our Conference, which we confidently expect to be the forerunner of more progress the coming year than in all the past. Mrs. Carter came to us from the St. Louis Conference in the spring and was made Field Secretary, which field she hopes to cultivate until the women of Arkansas Conference have had an opportunity to engage in missionary work if they will. As a result of her work Auxiliaries have been organized at Springdale, Eureka Springs, and Lincoln, with Home Guards and Jewels at Springdale, and Queen Esthers at Siloam Springs.

With the expectation of making the work in connection with the Arkansas Conference permanent, a house was rented and furniture donated in order to establish an industrial home for girls, which was opened with the school year with five girls—Miss Ida M. Gibson, matron; the Home Missionary Society of Siloam Springs thus far being responsible for the expense. This is a needy and undeveloped field.

MRS. N. M. HOVER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ATLANTA.

Again the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Atlanta Conference reports.

It has been my privilege to attend all the District Conferences, and I realize the need of having our work presented at these meetings. On the Griffin District, in order that I return to Atlanta the same day, they gave

me their eleven-o'clock service. The ministers said they caught a new vision of the work and invited us to hold our annual meeting on their district. This meeting met at McDonough, October 12th to 15th. Nearly all Conference officers were present. Owing to the busy season for the farmers, there was not a large delegation, but we had a very good meeting. The noon-hour prayer-service was one of spiritual uplift and the spirit of service pervaded the meeting.

We were disappointed that Miss Martha Drummer, who is at home on furlough, after five years of service as missionary at Quessua Station, Melange, Angola, West Africa, could not meet with us. She was detained on account of dental work. Dr. Bowen preached the annual sermon on Sunday morning.

The Griffin District reported $65 in dues and pledges to new building, against ten, or at most fifteen, any previous year.

This year we report $199 membership dues; Chapel Street leading in bringing in $50 membership dues; and nearly all of this was paid by individuals. This denotes growth in this Conference and an increase of $76 over last year. Quite an amount is pledged on the building fund, and the pastors pledge their support.

Our work has been represented during this year at the Annual Conference by Miss S. E. Abbott.

At the Educational Missionary Convention, held at Atlanta in August, the Woman's Home Missionary Society was well represented on its program. Mrs. I. G. Penn, Recording Secretary of Atlanta Conference, presided at this meeting and was both timely and popular as presiding officer. Mrs. E. H. Oliver spoke on city work. Mrs. M. C. B. Mason represented the Deaconess Work; Mrs. J. W. E. Bowen the Work among Women; Mrs. J. A. Rusk, the Kindergarten and Its Place in the Education of the Child; while your Corresponding Secretary reported the General Work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

During the year we have had many visitors at the Thayer Home, none more cordially welcome than Mrs. K. S. Burnett and her friend, Mrs. Sprowles. For Mrs. Burnett, our new Bureau Secretary, we bespeak a large place in the Atlanta Conference in the bringing into existence the training school. And we must not ever forget Mrs. Palem, who projected and put the best of her life and strength into our work. A better, truer woman never lived, and we trust that some day our work may measure up to her ideals for it.

(Miss) Flora Mitchell, *Corresponding Secretary.*

AUSTIN.

The four Auxiliaries of Austin Conference have just closed another year of work in the interests of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Two of the Auxiliaries combine the home and foreign work under one missionary society. Alvin, Texas, has fifteen members and eight Jewels. They have held their meetings regularly once a month and had two public meetings; one on the day of prayer, and a thank-offering meeting.

Trinity Church, San Antonio, has a Missionary Society of seventeen members. The meetings are held once a month, with no vacation.

St. Paul's, at Ft. Worth, has elected a new President, Mrs. D. M. Sinclair, and has had a very pleasant and profitable year studying Home Missions and the text-book. The Auxiliary sent $15 to El Paso for the girls' school. They have had one open meeting.

The Auxiliary at Mallalieu Church, Dallas, has twenty-four members and twenty-one Jewels. The President, Mrs. W. G. Phelps, is very en-

thusiastic and inspires all who come in contact with her. Owing to the financial strain the Church is in, no special effort has been made to raise funds for the Home Missionary work. The Day of Prayer was observed with an all-day meeting at the Church, which was well attended and much interest manifested. The gain in membership has been more than balanced by the removals. The Home Missionary work is there to stay and is nobly sustained by the faithful few.

(Mrs.) C. R. Clark, *Corresponding Secretary.*

BALTIMORE.

There has been faithful, earnest work in the Conference during the past year, with manifest results in many places.

We have over one hundred Auxiliaries, Circles and Bands, and are deeply interested, and contribute to the General Fund, to the work in Alaska, to Chinese and Japanese work on the Pacific Coast and in Hawaii, to the Stickney Home, and the work among the Navajo Indians. In the South we support beneficiaries at Rust Hall, Ritter Home, McClesky, Mitchell, New Mexico and Porto Rico. We also aid in the work at Cedartown and in the immigrant in New York City.

The work among our young people is growing. Miss Carrie Barge and Miss Alice Hawthorne spent the month of January in the Conference, and gave good service.

We had the finest Conference Anniversary in our history. Rev. C. L. Mead gave the address to a crowded Church, and won all hearts by his earnest and eloquent presentation of the great need of Home Missionary work.

Miss Josephine Corbin has spoken with marked acceptability at the camp meetings at Emory and Washington Groves, and organized a large Auxiliary at Clifton.

Splendid aggressive work has been done by the deaconesses at Baltimore, Martinsburg and Washington, among the foreigners and mountain whites in West Virginia.

The Board at Washington has purchased several lots looking toward the enlargement of Rosedale Deaconess Settlement.

Through our District Superintendent, Rev. J. W. R. Sumwalt, ground for a retreat at Washington Grove has been donated to the Lucy Webb Hayes Training School for its hospital students, conditioned upon our erecting a bungalow upon the lot.

It is our purpose to "Go forward in His name."

(Mrs.) Clara L. Roach, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CALIFORNIA.

As we see the greatness of the material resources of California, her lofty mountains, her fertile valleys, her beautiful lakes and rivers, and note the development, progress, and increasing value of all these, we are impressed more and more with the magnitude of the work which God has given to the women of the California Conference, and greater becomes our responsibility to have Christ's Kingdom keep pace with the commercial advancement.

Climb, if you can, the nearest mountain summit, you will only see peak after peak stretching on before you; so as we follow God's plans in any direction, we soon find greater and grander purposes farther on.

What a joy to go forward with such a Leader.

The year 1911 has been a slow, steady, hard pull up the grade, but at the end we find ourselves above the fog line of doubt and discouragement, and we pause to look back over the trail.

Most encouraging reports were brought back from the annual meeting at Buffalo.

Many weak Auxiliaries were stirred to life, and are now growing strong and vigorous. New ones have sprung up here and there with all the enthusiasm of youth. Queen Esther Circles and Home Guards (though few in number compared with what they might be) take hold of the work with a vigor and zeal that inspires us all.

We have had good helpers and forceful speakers all along the way. Mrs. Hallie Hill of New York City spent nearly two months, during our most severe winter rains, bringing sunshine and blessing to many Churches as she made her convincing arguments for the need of a Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. M. E. Roberts of Nebraska in her happy, cheerful way encouraged us all, while Miss McMillin of Iowa (now a teacher in our training school) has strengthened the cause in many places by her sincere, earnest pleas. Several of our women have given special service in pushing forward the work along all lines.

The District Conventions have been more interesting and better attended than ever before, while many public meetings have added much to the enthusiasm. The Japanese Bureau has kept up most excellent work the entire year.

The Deaconess Bureau, with its new district nurse and immigrant missionary, and the rapidly increasing duties of Travelers' Aid, beside all the regular work of deaconesses and students, has had an unusually busy year.

Beulah Rest Home has been a veritable bee-hive since January last, when it became the temporary home of the Chinese women and children. We received a small appropriation from the East with which the well has been dug, but not enough to equip it for use. We greatly need money and furniture to make the buildings serviceable.

Suddenly, almost without warning, a new door opened, and God's voice seemed to say, "Enter ye in." The Government Officials of Immigration were ready and willing that a missionary, such as Miss Matthews of Ellis Island, should undertake a similar work on the Pacific Coast at Angel Island. Miss Carrie Pierson has, since January, efficiently filled that position. Already we see the beginning of one of the greatest responsibilities placed upon the California Conference. In this short time hundreds of tracts, testaments, and papers in different languages have been distributed, and many persons variously helped.

Several fine boxes were sent to Alaska and the Indians; though not as much has been done for either as we hope to do next year.

The Sustentation Fund amounted to nearly one thousand dollars, and was sufficient to cover all the requests of the District Superintendents for helping the needy preachers in difficult charges.

The supplies, however, have most generously increased both in quantity and quality. Our Literature Department has been one of the busiest. The Secretary has outdone herself in earnestness and zeal, and much of the inspiration in the Auxiliaries throughout the Conference is due to her persistent, consecrated efforts. She has attended and materially aided every District Meeting, besides sending broadcast her piles of literature.

Central Church, San Francisco, San Rafael, Los Gatos, Watsonville, have enthusiastic, wide-awake, new Queen Esther Circles, while Wesley, Woodland, and Mountain View have organized earnest, zealous bands of Home Guards. A young woman's class of First Church, Sacramento,

though not an organized Circle, has taken up Queen Esther Work under the direction of Mrs. Peck (Deaconess).

Woodland Auxiliary has made a fine beginning by ordering two dozen text-books and calendars, and going right to work. Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, also organized this year with fourteen members. The Portuguese Mission in Oakland deserves special mention for its earnestness, and Reno, though so far away, has done excellent work in all its departments.

At the close of the year we report: Members of Auxiliaries, 1,870; members of Circles, 442; members of Home Guards, 187; subscriptions to paper, 553; subscriptions to children's paper, 282.

As some of the reports were not complete, I feel sure this is a moderate estimate of the working force in our Conference. Shall we not continue to talk and work and pray, thanking God for the privilege of helping forward His great cause in our beloved California?

Mrs. E. R. Willis, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL ILLINOIS.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Central Illinois Conference began this year's work regretting that Mrs. I. M. Eastman, who has served as the faithful and energetic Corresponding Secretary four years, felt that she must decline a re-election. On this account a new and inexperienced woman must take up the work.

Each District, Auxiliary, and Circle officer has been faithful, so that the work as a whole has advanced during the year.

The growth, however, has not been so rapid as we wish, and yet, when we look back over the past ten or twelve years, we have great cause for rejoicing. We have made a steady and permanent growth. We held our Conference Meeting in Normal, Ill., in November, at which time both Mrs. Williams and Miss Snider were present and were very helpful to us. Miss Snider remained in the Conference for a few days, and organized two Auxiliaries and gave some Thank Offering addresses. Mrs. Bernheim also spoke at two Thank Offering services. The Thank Offering season was more generally observed this year than ever before. The result of the Thank Offering contributions assures us that we are safe in pledging the full salary of one of our workers in a school.

Mrs. T. J. Everett and Miss Carrie Davis each spent a few weeks in the Conference and organized some new societies. Miss Davis was also present at each of the five District meetings held in April. At one of these meetings our hostesses were high school Queen Esther Society girls. These girls entertained the Convention without an Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society back of them. They were, however, assisted by the Auxiliary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. This was at Henry, Ill. The Peoria District Convention will be entertained in the same manner next April. Each District pledged one hundred dollars for a room in the new Oriental Home, San Francisco. This room is to be called the Central Illinois Conference Room. Miss Barge was present at the session of the Annual Conference and gave the address at the Anniversary of our Society.

The Galesburg District leads the Conference in the number of organizations and amount of money raised. The Conference met all of its pledges, and has a total of $4,260, exclusive of Supply work. The Supply work was reported in part only, but that amounted to $261.81. There were secured this year one Auxiliary and thirteen Jewel life members.

There are 1,576 Auxiliary members, forty-six Conference members, and forty-seven honorary members, making 1,669 members in all. There are 491 copies of the *Woman's Home Missions* taken, and 230 *Children's Home Missions* taken.

While there are some hindrances to our work, yet, as we are able to secure a hearing in the Churches, we are hoping to gain new societies in our own field, and thus be able to help more in the needy fields of our beloved land. MRS. O. L. DWINELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL NEW YORK.

The year opened full of promise for Central New York Conference. Many of our women were in attendance at the Annual meeting at Buffalo, who, feeling a fresh inspiration for work, carried a new enthusiasm to their Auxiliaries, which, in turn, have felt a new uplift, and have shown a keener interest in the actual work of the Society. Our five Districts are well organized, and well equipped for work. We should like to be able to report a greater progress among our young people. We are hoping for far better work throughout the Conference during the coming year. The Children's work is progressing nicely, and we bespeak for that department great things in the future. We have had among us, ready to do good work for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, two Field Secretaries and Miss Swartz. Owing to some peculiarities entirely local, these good women saw very little result from their visits, but our Conference workers were helped much by their presence. Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff was at our Conference Anniversary meeting and at the business session of the Executive Board, and rendered most valuable assistance. Her address before the Conference was most enthusiastically spoken of by all who heard her. Every pledge has been met, and other causes not pledged to, have been helped greatly. A bequest of $760 came to us from the estate of Mrs. Caroline Putnam of Syracuse. The Conference has taken a thousand dollar bond and hopes to burn it at the Annual meeting in February. Our especial work for the coming year will be Peck Home, to which we pledge one thousand dollars in cash, some furnishings, and our hearts' loyalty.

We record with deep sorrow "the passing beyond" of our Conference Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Willard H. Peck, who for ten years served the Society in this capacity most untiringly.

MRS. EDMUND M. MILLS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL OHIO.

In writing the report for the year I am reminded of the many details of our work which should be mentioned to make a really interesting report, but space forbids an attempt at enumerating the many small things which go to make up the year's work.

Miss Bessie Franc Brown attended our District meetings, following the Annual meeting of the Board of Managers in Buffalo in November. Her deep consecration in the Master's service, and the very interesting addresses upon the Navajo Indian Reservation made a deep impression upon our people, especially the young women.

Our Conference Annual meeting was held in Ada, Ohio, one of our college towns, in May. The Pre-Convention the first half-day was a delightful feature of the meeting, under the auspices of the Young People.

Miss Emily H. Butterfield of Detroit gave a splendid address to the college young women.

Dr. Ward Platt, D. D., delivered a magnificent address the first evening on "The World Mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society."

Mrs. N. W. Bass gave one of her most comprehensive addresses on the second night. The presence of our own dear Mrs. Williams was most helpful and inspiring to the Convention.

We were favored with the services of Mrs. Bass for two months in the organization of *new* Auxiliaries, strengthening of the weak societies, and in the addition of about three hundred new members to our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Miss Josephine Corbin spoke with great earnestness on the "Immigration Question," Anniversary Day, during Annual Conference, September 23d, in Marion.

Our Treasurer reports a good year, *all* pledges paid and four hundred dollars over, which was distributed where the need seemed most imperative.

We have a consecrated band of women working to redeem this land of ours, but our hearts go out to the countless numbers who are not identified with our Society and are indifferent to the perishing multitude all over this country.

O, that every woman in Methodism might hear the call as Isaiah did, and say, "Here am I, Lord; send me."

(Mrs.) D. M. Bailey, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.

Central Pennsylvania Conference has been seriously handicapped this year; the hand of affliction has fallen heavily upon some of its officers. For many months both the Corresponding Secretary and the President were incapacitated for work. In the home of the former the light of her eyes has gone out, and the beloved daughter has been translated into the "heavenly brightness."

But God has not forgotten us. "Many daughters did virtuously." The five District Secretaries have done their work well. The District Secretary, God bless her!—is she not the one indispensable cog in all our Conference machinery? Without her our work must come to a stand-still.

Our deaconess interests have been steadily promoted. A new Deaconess Home, with two workers, has recently been opened in Harrisburg, a small plant with a promising outlook. This local enterprise will not be allowed to interfere with our support of the general work.

The crying need of the hour is the demand for an unconditional appropriation for the Slavic Mission Home at Hazelton, within our territory. For seven years, beginning with a single missionary-deaconess, Miss Emma Trescott, who has labored in co-operation with the Bohemian missionary, Rev. V. J. Louzeckey, this work has grown little by little. A house is now being occupied, providing a Home for the four women workers, and facilities for the settlement work. Help is needed to secure the payment for this property. The crucial time has come when a backward step will be fatal. We have done what we could; the general Society should now stretch out a helping hand and adopt this waif as its own child. In that event, this Conference pledges its continued support, its most loyal and enthusiastic co-operation.

In securing the consent of Miss Louise Hunt of York, Pa., to act as Conference Secretary of Young People's work, we feel that we have

reason to "thank God and take courage." In giving our daughters into the loving care of this conscientious, faithful worker, we rejoice to believe that they will be helped to a higher plane of Christian effort.

Miss Barge and Miss Hawthorne gave us a month of valuable service in the spring, for which we are grateful.

We have not done all that we hoped to do this year; nevertheless our Treasurer reports a substantial increase in funds received, and the Supply Secretary a larger report than in any previous year.

Our beloved Corresponding Secretary is bravely taking up the work again she has loved so well and served so nobly. And "underneath are the Everlasting Arms." "A mighty fortress is our God."

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, *Conference President.*
In behalf of the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL SWEDISH.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O Most High. "To show forth Thy loving kindness in the morning and Thy faithfulness every night." (Psalms 92: 1, 2.)

As we look back on the year just closing, we have great reason for gratitude to the ever-faithful Master, through whose leadership victory is ours when we trust and obey. Some of our Auxiliaries have their flags flying at top mast, others at half-mast, but all unite in giving thanks to the Source of all blessing for some good accomplished.

There are twelve organized Auxiliaries in our Conference, working under more or less favorable circumstances. One Auxiliary has doubled its membership during the year. This Auxiliary also feels that it belongs to Home Missionary work to fight the saloon, so there is a Temperance Union organized under its auspices. Would to God that every Christian woman would rise up in arms against this dreadful foe—the saloon, this destroyer of homes and thousands of useful lives each year, this heinous monster who saps the physical strength and taps the pocketbook of the laborer, and breaks the hearts of mothers and wives, sending them into premature graves. God help us as *women* to do *our* duty towards solving this grave and most important problem. Two of our Auxiliaries have disbanded, but still carry out their pledges towards contributing toward Susannah Wesley Home.

This Home has been the source of great blessing to many strangers in our city and many sick girls needing rest.

Two Auxiliaries have been organized this year.

The interest at our Annual meeting at Desplaines was marked with enthusiasm.

To each one who has added something to that which has been done during the year, reward is already theirs in the joy of giving to the Master.

Let us hope, pray, and work for a great year to come, being faithful to the trust given us, be it great or small, anxious to use every opportunity offered to help and cheer. And so, when our time for work is over and we go away to rest, we may leave this old world just a little better for our being here.

"Let us, then, be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate;
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait."

(MRS.) ESTHER BERGREN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CINCINNATI.

The past year has been one of faithful work on the part of District and Department Secretaries. We can not report large gains in any department, and must report loss in some; we are glad that the promise was not given to the successful servant but to the faithful one.

A gain in membership in Auxiliaries of 240. Seven new Auxiliaries and four new Circles are reported. The total receipts are a little less than last year, but the increase in pledges for Student Aid and Special Work for the coming year indicate renewed activity and interest.

The Annual meeting held in September was marked by an increased attendance, interest and enthusiasm. The Anniversary meeting was addressed by Mrs. S. A. Winold of Cincinnati. Mrs. Winold also conducted a Missionary Study Class at the Miami Valley Chautauqua, with an enrollment of sixty. This work was so well received and so successful that it will be continued next year. The work of the Society was presented at Epworth Heights Camp Meeting by the Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. Bass, Field Secretary, spent a month in our Conference in the spring, resulting in five new Auxiliaries in one District. Four new Life Members are reported.

The faithfulness and devotion of Conference and District officers, as well as the individual workers, inspire us to renewed efforts for the enlargement of our work.

Mrs. Charles F. Thirkield, *Corresponding Secretary.*

COLORADO.

We have entered only a few new fields, but can assuredly say we have made healthy, vigorous growth. While we have not doubled our membership, the work is more on the hearts of the women and people of this Conference than ever before.

The dedication of our beautiful Beth-El Hospital in Colorado Springs in June was the great event of the year. We have expended about $56,000 in building and furnishings. It is an enterprise of which we are justly proud and for which we are grateful to God. We invite you each and all to inspect this product of the Home Missionary Society when you are visiting in Colorado.

Many needs are insistent here, but a first-class, finely-equipped hospital, equal to any in the West, awaits the sick. A spiritual atmosphere, imbued with Christian self-sacrifice on the part of the nurses, has been very manifest. Miss Florence Standish is the efficient Superintendent.

Our Supply Department has expended $1,821.31 under the long-time and able supervision of Mrs. Price Johnson.

Reading Circles are increasing, and the books of our study course are greatly enjoyed.

The work of our faithful deaconesses and our loved Margaret Evans Deaconess Home moves steadily forward.

Not alone has our own Conference work been crowned by achievement under God's blessing, but twenty-three schools and Homes have received aid from us this year.

Our Queen Esthers are doing splendid work along all lines.

Figures show but little after all, and often are disappointing because all the explanations can not be given, but God has been adding His blessing to all our efforts the past year.

We are celebrating our Silver Anniversary as a Conference Society. We were organized by Mrs. J. H. Merritt (deceased, wife of our still living and beloved Dr. J. H. Merritt) in June of 1886. Her faith and inspiration still live and breathe through the organization.

The door opens to another year, with brighter visions for more unselfish labor, more frequent prayer, and more women interested.

Mrs. H. E. Warner, *Corresponding Secretary.*

COLUMBIA RIVER.

We have been borne on the swift wings of time, with its golden opportunities, to the close of another year, and as we record a splendid year's work we would not be unmindful of God's great love and care over us.

Two of our five Districts are organized. Held District meetings in the spring, and have a splendid corps of officers and Superintendents.

We now have thirty-four Auxiliaries, with a membership of 875, an increase of eleven Auxiliaries and 403 members.

The Young People's and Children's work is growing in interest and numbers. Just now our hearts are heavy over the loss, by removal from our Conference, of our Young People's Secretary, who had so auspiciously begun the work a year ago. Number of Circles, 8; members, 185. Home Guard Bands, 5; members, 85. Jewel Bands, 7; members, 209.

Our pledge was fully met, and thus were we encouraged to set our standard a little higher for the coming year.

I wish I were able to tell you how much the presence of Mrs. Hallie Hill was appreciated at our Annual Convention, as well as that of Mrs. Harriett Weaver, and of the splendid work they did throughout our Conference. Much good work has also been done during the past year by our Conference Organizer, Mrs. Nellie Clulow.

Let me quote from the message of our Conference President: "Our aim is nothing short of an Auxiliary in every Church; our goal, every woman in Methodism a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society." With the good beginning already made, and such zeal for our beloved cause, we are pushing forward to "Higher Ground."

(Mrs.) Nina G. Blake, *Conference Secretary.*

DAKOTA.

At the beginning of the year this Conference had but one Auxiliary, that at Brookings.

Miss Nellie Snider spent the spring and summer in visiting this Conference, and we now have fifteen Auxiliaries and one Queen Esther Circle, with a promise of a number of other socities for next year.

On October 11th a Conference meeting was held in connection with the Annual Conference at Aberdeen, and a full corps of officers was elected, as follows: Mrs. J. W. Elliott, Aberdeen, President; Mrs. A. Perry and Mrs. R. L. Brown, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. J. S. Ellis, Recording Secretary; and Mrs. E. E. Lundquist, of Sioux Falls, Treasurer.

The women have entered upon the work with zeal and enthusiasm, and we expect much from this promising field.

Mrs. W. S. Shepherd, *Corresponding Secretary.*

DELAWARE.

Through the work of our Organizer, Mrs. M. J. O'Connell, employed last year, our Woman's Home Missionary work has had more extensive representation than ever; as twenty-six charges were visited and nearly as many Auxiliaries organized and revived, including the organizing of one new Queen Esther Circle. But the greatest concern is how to keep the Auxiliaries alive after the Organizer has gone. During our existence as a Conference Society we have had only one organized District, therefore we have only done little more than one-fifth the work we might have done. At our Annual meeting in May we took action to organize the other four Districts during this fall, as we realize from the difference in the work that the secret lay in the contact or association of Auxiliaries with each other in Quarterly and other District meetings that will keep up a lively and instructive interest. During this month preparation has been made to organize two other Districts.

This action and the splendid report of our Secretary of Supplies show that our people no longer expect simply "to be ministered unto," but are becoming imbued with the Spirit of Him who "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

We cheerfully comply with the request of the General Executive Board for a pledge on the debt-paying bonds.

CLARA ELBERT BROUN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

DES MOINES.

"Everything vital hinges on prayer."

The record of the work accomplished during the year just closed shows the consecration and zeal of the more than three thousand, five hundred Auxiliary and Queen Esther members and their efficient officers.

Since the call came "to double our membership," we have gained more than seven hundred Auxiliary members, but this is only one-third of our share, and "we can and we will" do our part in enlisting the three out of four women of our Church in our Conference not members of our Society.

Seven new Auxiliaries were organized this year.

We are gaining in subscriptions to our papers, having more than one-third as many papers taken as members reported.

Our Conference Secretary of Young People, Mrs. Emah Kellogg, carefully watches every opportunity to win the young people, and has successfully conducted many Thank Offering services. She reports a gain of more than one hundred members.

Our new Conference Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Edna T. Christy, is the right woman in the right place.

Our pledges are more than paid, and money sent to many places where we had no pledges.

At our Annual meeting held in the fall and at our six District meetings in the spring, Miss Carrie Davis presented the imperative need of the rebuilding of the Chinese Home in San Francisco. Our Conference had previously given more than six hundred dollars to this building, but after hearing her message pledged about seven hundred dollars.

Bidwell Deaconess Home and Iowa Bible Training School has had a prosperous year. Wish space would allow the relating of how the deaconesses changed "Boxtown" to South Riverside Mission.

We have secured the services of Dr. J. R. Woodcock as President of the institution, and with the faithful Superintendent, Miss Mae Strickler, and the efficient Principal, Mrs. A. E. Sanford, we are furnished with leaders second to none in our Church.

We are delighted that the election of Dr. Woodcock locates the home of our National Field Secretary, Mrs. Anna Hobbs Woodcock, in our Conference. She has given us much valuable help during the year.

Miss Carrie Barge encouraged our young people by spending a few days in our Conference, assisting in a Queen Esther Rally in Des Moines.

Miss Bessie Franc Brown, our own missionary to the Navajoes, and the Indian boy, John, interested all who heard them at our Conference Anniversary.

We have sent many special letters to the Auxiliaries and also just issued a "Handbook for 1911-1912."

Never in our Conference was there a more united band of women working for our Society.

Mrs. Margaret Anderson of Atlantic District has visited most of the Auxiliaries and organized several new ones. She has conducted Thank Offering services, and attended the ministerial District Conference and presented our work. This District has nearly doubled its membership, as has also Boone District, under the leadership of Mrs. Jennie Beyer. Mrs. Beyer was elected Conference Organizer.

Our Conference has an earnest, well-informed, alert Mite-box Secretary in Mrs. Mary Rusk.

We are expecting victories in the year to come. Prayerful preparation for personal work will bring the victories.

"We kneel how weak, we rise how full of power,
Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong,
Or others, that we are not always strong?"

Statistical report.—Number of Auxiliaries, eighty-four; number of members, 2,842; Queen Esthers, 669; Home Guards, 219; Mothers' Jewels, 433; *Woman's Home Missions*, 1,001; *Children's Home Missions*, 532.

Mrs. A. E. Griffith, *Secretary.*

DETROIT.

The year just closing has been one of steady growth. It was our great privilege to have with us at our Annual meeting last November Mrs. C. L. Weaver of Oregon, who did much to instruct and inspire our women. During the month she secured 155 new members, and organized several Auxiliaries and Circles. We report at present 124 Auxiliaries, with 4,287 members.

The Queen Esther Circle work is growing. We have sixty-one Circles, with 1,260 members, and $1,460.31, of which $974 is Student Aid, have been raised by our girls. We regret the lack of leaders, as many more Circles could be organized if women could be found to direct the work.

This year for the first time we closed the Treasurer's books July 1st, to conform with the books of the National Treasurer. With only three quarters to report, we have raised in cash and vouchers $19,125, and all pledges have been met. When we consider that last year we received nearly $4,000 in gifts and bequests, and this year less than $1,000, we feel that this record is encouraging.

When our representatives returned last October from the National Board of Managers' meeting in Buffalo, it was with an earnest desire that this Conference be the first to pledge, and pay, $1,000 toward the National debt of our Society. It was pledged, and until the last of May no way was found to pay it, but at the District meetings in May and June nearly the entire $1,000 was pledged and has been paid.

Our Deaconess Home, under the efficient direction of Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors as Superintendent, has just closed a very successful year. There are at present fourteen deaconesses in the Home, and for the first time in our history Travelers' Aid work has been introduced. The work at Tillman Avenue Settlement is well cared for by three deaconesses. Our Conference Secretary of Deaconess Work, Mrs. Ella Hanley of Bad Axe, has proven a friend indeed, having for two years paid the entire support of one deaconess.

Supplies valued at over two thousand dollars were sent to the needy ministers in the Northern Districts of our Conference. This is largely in advance of last year, and together with the Ministers' Loan Library, which has loaned books to over one hundred young ministers, has done much to increase the efficiency and add to the comfort of our brothers who are remembering the "Inasmuch" of our Master.

All other lines of our work show an increase, which, though not as great as we would wish it, still is encouraging. We need workers, women who realize the great need of the cause, and who are willing to spend and be spent in the service of the King. Our ideal for the year just before us is an Auxiliary in every Church, and every Methodist woman in our Conference interested in this glorious work. "And the Lord said unto Moses, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

Mrs. J. R. Waters, *Corresponding Secretary.*

EAST OHIO.

"Heaven is not reached by a single bound;
We build the ladder by which we rise
From the lowly earth to the lofty skies,
And climb to the summit round by round."

The close of the month of September passed to the debit side of the account of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of East Ohio Conference—twenty-eight years of elapsed time since it was brought into being. Against this debit of time shall be properly entered its credits of achievements. Year by year this credit has been duly entered, and it shows that we have not labored in vain, but that we are still building the ladder and are going steadily toward the summit with greater rapidity than in any previous year.

We rejoice that we are able to report not only an increase in membership, but several new Auxiliaries and Circles, and our seven Districts in line for more united and aggressive service than at any other time. It seems fitting that in closing this report we should tender to the devoted women who have by their loyalty, their sacrifices and their love for the Master made possible the fulfillment of our prediction of greater achievement in the report of last year, a few fragrant flowers—a hint of rosemary,—that shall constitute a part of the bouquet that represents the decoration of remembrance laid at the feet of God's workers in our beloved Society. To these devoted women under His guidance has been made possible the achievement of the years. May God in His mercy and loving-

kindness preserve them for another year, and in the years to come out of the largeness of His bounty give to them the blessed consciousness of a work well done. MRS. M. H. NASON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ERIE.

The year has passed pleasantly by and profitably in Erie Conference, although there have been trials and changes due to illness of our Secretary, Mrs. Hill.

It is a pleasure to record that success crowned her effort made early in the year in the interest of Building and Improvement Fund. All pledges are met, and a good advance made financially. More than a word of appreciation is due our Conference Treasurer, who, the latter part of the year, added to her own exacting duties those of the Conference Secretary.

The General Board meeting in Buffalo afforded a special privilege to a goodly number of our women, and will be of lasting benefit in our work.

Mrs. H. L. Hill gave most excellent service in the Conference early in the year, the service including attendance at our Annual Conference, and an informing, inspiring address on that occasion.

At the Annual meeting of the Board of Management of our Deaconess Home we were surprised and delighted with the reports of our two deaconesses that so much has been accomplished in so brief a time. In this, as in other departments of work, we are reminded it is God that worketh to will and to do of His good pleasure where hearts and hands are yielded for His service.

Realizing that the time is propitious for enlisting larger numbers of our women in this enlarging work, we enter the new year hopefully, with strong confidence in the Great Leader.

ANNA M. POPPINO, *Corresponding Secretary.*

GENESEE.

Almost with amazement we find ourselves at the end of another year. So full of work have been the days, that weeks and months have glided by almost uncounted, and as we stand on the threshold of another year, we glance backward over the path we have trod to scan, as it were, our battlefield; to rejoice where victories have been won, or discover the cause of defeat, if such has been met with.

In many things our record is but the echo of other years. Faithful, persistent officers and workers; the beautiful harmony of spirit and unity of purpose, surrounded by a higher spiritual atmosphere, are notable features of our Conference work. These, with God as our leader, have been to our hearts "a shadow in a weary land."

We are accustomed to measure the health and growth of our Conference by the amount of money contributed, but in the experience of the past year we are led to believe that there are other tests equally important and valuable. Success in any undertaking depends upon a preparation or education for the work, a knowledge of its needs, and an earnest devotion to the accomplishment of the object desired. Measured by this standard, we are prepared to press on the coming year, fully equipped for greater results.

Within our borders we find much to drive away the clouds and

scatter sunshine all about us, not only in the matter of finances, but in the support we have in our new members, the kind and generous admittance to the pulpits by our pastors, our Field Secretaries, and co-laborers.

Nothing is more inspiring than the Conference meeting, where the women who toil in weariness but, after all, in great joy, for the bringing of our great sin-burdened land to a knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The "crowning" of Miss Emma Chambers, so long our Conference Secretary of Supplies, filled our hearts with grief; but we know to her it was "joy for sorrow, beauty for ashes," the home-coming to her Father's house.

The necessity of lessening the labors of Mrs. Minard, who served us faithfully, royally for many years, caused another pang of regret, in that she felt she could no longer serve us in that capacity.

We yield to the inevitable, and pray that her life may long be spared to her family, friends, and the Master's work.

MRS. DANIEL SMITH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

HOLSTON.

Holston Conference is coming along slowly. Although our gait is not so rapid as many others, we are trying to keep a steady one.

We have made some progress this year. There have been some new organizations and new members added to those already organized, while we have lost some by removal, etc., and some of last year's Auxiliaries disbanded.

Mrs. Cotton Mather spent one day in Knoxville District on her return West from the Buffalo meeting. Her visit was short, but some of us received new strength and inspiration. She organized one Auxiliary.

The Anniversary meeting during Annual Conference at Athens was inspiring and helpful. Dr. H. D. Ketcham, of First Church, Knoxville, delivered the address. The business meeting was held in the forenoon of the same day in the assembly room of Ritter Home. About thirty-five women were present, representing several Districts. Other Districts sent reports. Four of our Districts held their Annual meeting.

We have not had a Field Secretary this year, but the Corresponding Secretary has spent considerable time in the field, distributing literature, and trying to interest and instruct those who know little or nothing about the Home Missionary Society. A large part of this Conference is strictly pioneer territory. The first thing to be done is to inform, the next to interest, then we may organize on a good basis.

We go forward into another year with faith and courage.

MRS. J. M. PLYLEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

IDAHO.

The Idaho Conference comes this year knocking at the door of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, seeking recognition for this new, large field, with its vast distances of sage-brush, its mammoth pine forests, and rugged mountain peaks.

We have isolated pastors in our picturesque canyons and on our great unnatural plains, as well as in our larger cities and towns. We are in the very heart of a great Home Missionary belt. There are people in all these places who need the gospel.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has seven Auxiliaries in the Idaho Conference, with a membership of 250.

Mrs. James Clulow of Wenatchee, Wash., was at our Conference in August. She gave us a splendid address, which proved to be a great inspiration, for we were able to organize as a Conference, and twenty Conference members were secured, with a goodly number of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions.*

Previous to this each Auxiliary had been obliged to send all reports and funds through National officers, sometimes causing confusion.

We have been doing some special work the last year. Twin Falls took a scholarship in Jesse Lee Home, and made Mrs. H. W. Parker a life member.

Boise Auxiliary has supported a girl in McClesky Home. The Queen Esthers of Boise care for a child in McKinley Day School. Idaho Falls does special work in Alaska and other places. Nearly all of our Auxiliaries have been doing local work under direction of the District Superintendents. Four or five boxes of clothing and new goods have been sent to our own needy preachers; over $250 in cash has been placed where it was greatly needed. We still feel that we should be allowed to do some of this local work. As long as large tracts of the country are waiting for water for the land, our pastors are sure to be *very* poorly paid. When our District Superintendent comes to us, saying: "My man at —— needs a coat, or the children must have shoes," we are not disposed to send to Ohio or New York and ask that this need be supplied; we buy the articles needed, or where it is possible, send the pastor the money. We know this is not according to the great plan, and we admire and love the Woman's Home Missionary plan. It is *splendid.* We are living in this great, free West, and if we accomplish the Master's work we must be "game" (pardon the expression) in every emergency.

Our dues have been faithfully gathered and sent to headquarters, but there has been hurried gatherings of supplies and money that the Woman's Home Missionary Society nor even the needy pastor will ever know "from whence."

Rebecca Weigle, our deaconess working for First Methodist Episcopal Church, Boise, organized during the year a fine Queen Esther Circle in Boise, and a good Auxiliary at Mountain Home, Idaho.

The work has prospered slowly but surely. We are thankful for results, and are asking God to send His richest blessings on the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

MRS. G. W. BARNES, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ILLINOIS.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Illinois Conference for the year 1910-1911 has been very encouraging. It is true that we have not reached our ideal, but we have made substantial advancement. The Conference officers have done thorough, conscientious work, while the District officers have without exception been enthusiastic and persistent in their efforts.

Our Conference Convention last November marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Conference, and was observed by holding the Convention over Sunday, and by the Auxiliaries bringing a silver offering which was applied to the new school building for our Cunningham Children's Home. Dr. Harmon, President of McKendree College, gave the sermon in the morning, and Mrs. Allen of Des Moines

the evening address. Both addresses were strong and helpful. Another part of the program that proved very helpful and enjoyable was the history of our work in our Conference, written and read by our Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Lawton.

Mrs. H. L. Hill spent one month with us, and did effective work. Mrs. Anna D. Elder was present at several of our District meetings, and her words were helpful and inspiring. Miss Barge gave the Anniversary address at our Conference, which was strong and convincing.

While we have not doubled our membership, we have made substantial growth. We have thirty new organizations to report—fifteen Auxiliaries and fifteen Queen Esther Circles. For most of this increase we are indebted to our efficient District officers and Conference Organizer, Miss Olivia Dunlap. Last year we pledged more heavily than ever before, yet we have been able to meet all our obligations. Our Supply work does not quite come up to what it did the previous year, probably owing to the shortage of fruit in this section of the country. We have received two bequests this year, one of $500 on the annuity plan, and the other of $468, which went to the National Treasurer.

The much-needed and talked-of new school building for our Cunningham Children's Home is a reality and is fast nearing completion, and is a substantial brick building which will aid materially in caring for the little ones, and will enable us to care for many more.

We are looking forward to a more successful year than we have ever known, for as the work of our Society is better understood, the more it commends itself to the Churches, and much seed has been sown this year which we expect will grow and bear fruit in the near future.

MRS. S. A. BULLARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

INDIANA.

The Indiana Conference is still growing. We have eight Districts, fifty-eight Auxiliaries with 2,644 members, one College Girls' Auxiliary with eighteen members, sixteen Queen Esthers with 681 members, eight Home Guards with 340 members, thirty-five Jewel Bands with 1,246 members; a total of 4,929 members—a gain of 829 members during the year. Our Young People have made a great gain during the year, under the leadership of our Conference Young People's Secretary, Miss Leo Stephenson.

Our eight District meetings held in May were well attended with splendid programs, and it was my privilege to be present at six of them and hear the splendid reports of the various Secretaries.

Our Conference Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Allgire, reports $8,883.05, an increase of $552.95. We have taken a small bond of our National debt. Our Mite-box Secretary, Mrs. J. U. Park, reports $1,062.15, a small gain, but still a gain.

We have four students in Washington (D. C.) Training School, and a Deaconess Station in Indianapolis with six deaconesses, still under our efficient Conference Training School Manager, Mrs. C. Behymer.

Miss Josephine Corbin, our deaconess, gave the Anniversary address in Bloomington, September 16, 1911, and then spoke in two of our Indianapolis Churches on Sunday and at two mass meetings. Her addresses, being inspiring, I know will be a help to our work the coming year. She organized one Auxiliary and helped others.

May she come again soon.

Our Annual Conference meeting will be held November 1st, 2d, and

3d, in Columbus, Ind., and we are expecting great things. Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff will be with us the first evening, and our six deaconesses and a "Flag Drill" are in the program for the second evening.

We are still working on our "Building and Improvement Fund" and "Doubling Membership." May God bless every one of us.

"Smile a little, help a little,
Push a little, lend a hand,
The world needs you."

MRS. ALFRED STRATFORD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

IOWA.

It is with a glad heart that we review the work of the past year. In many ways this year has been our best. A marked advance has been made along all lines. There has been manifested an interest, intense, active, and continuous, in all the organizations and in all departments.

We have had an increase in organizations, members, subscribers to our papers, supplies and money. We have raised $1,495 in excess of our pledges. Graham Hospital has had a prosperous year.

We are greatly pleased with the enthusiasm of the young people's societies. One Auxiliary, three Young Women's Auxiliaries, six Queen Esther Circles, and one Home Guard have been organized during the year.

Ten beautiful banners, each one having upon it one of the Commandments, have been sent by the young people of the Conference to the Chapel at Sinuk, Alaska.

These banners were made of different colored satin, with the text printed in gilt or contrasting color, finished with cord, and having the name of the Society in the lower right-hand corner, and the names of the donors upon the reverse side.

The District meetings were unusually interesting and well attended. Mrs. Anna Woodcock gave us two weeks' service last April. She proved an inspiration and a blessing to all who heard her speak.

Anniversary day at Conference was a great day. Mrs. Hallie Hill gave the Anniversary address. By her convincing manner of presenting the work she won many friends for our Society.

Mrs. Sandford of the Des Moines Bible Training School was also with us, and gave a short talk upon the deaconess as a part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We are rejoiced over the record of the year, and we are looking forward to greater service and greater reward.

(MRS.) NAOMI DAY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

KANSAS.

It is possible to present in this brief outline only a glimpse of the work done by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Kansas Conference. Our Heavenly Father has been good to us, and much has been accomplished through prayerful effort. The Conference Anniversary meeting was largely attended; our own Mrs. E. L. Knostman of Manhattan gave the address, and the Thank Offering was perhaps the largest in the history of our organization.

The Districts are all well organized, and the work is in very satisfac-

tory condition. $3,000 was paid last year, several Auxiliaries giving largely to special work, and some new Auxiliaries have been organized.

It is with sadness that we record the death of three of our beloved women, among them our Conference Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Hanson of Clay Center, Kansas. Our Conference will furnish and name a room at Peck Home in memory of Mrs. Hanson, the silver name-plate to bear the inscription, Nellie Hanson.

This has been a very busy year, and the officers have assisted the Corresponding Secretary in her efforts to make the work permanent and effective. We are planning large things for the coming year and dare not fail. Our Lord is leading and we must follow. Trusting in Him, we go forward to achieve greater things.

"Gird on your armor! Be faithful
At toil or rest,
Which e'er it be, never doubting
God's way is the best.
Out in the fight, or on picket,
Stand firm and true;
This is the work which your Master
Gives you to do."

MRS. CARRIE L. LAYTON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

KENTUCKY.

The past year has slipped swiftly away, bearing with it, we trust, the complications and mistakes which seemed to confront us at every turn.

The Conference Society sustained a great loss in the removal of our President, Mrs. Dunn, to another State. She was our first and only President, and experienced the usual difficulties attending pioneer work, but these will equip her for helping in Indiana.

Providentially Mrs. Daniel Onstott has come into the Kentucky Conference, and kindly consented to become our President.

Our Conference Society met early in September. The interest was marked, and advance reported in many lines. Mrs. Dunn was made a Life Member by the Society as a slight appreciation of her faithful services. We were benefited by an interesting review of the new text-book, by Mrs. S. A. Winold.

After protracted effort and delay we have industrial work started in Olive Hill, with good prospects for the future.

In the Southeastern part of Kentucky a railroad has opened the way for and shown the need of industrial work, which we hope to see well established in the near future, so we take courage and press forward.

(MISS) JULIA HATHORNE SHAW, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LEXINGTON.

"Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

This watch-word has been an inspiration to the women of the Lexington Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the past year has been the best in our history. We now have forty-six Auxiliaries, 368 members, 210 new members, eighty-five subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions,* and fifty-two to *Children's Home Missions,* six Reading

Circles, four Queen Esther Circles, three companies of Home Guards, and three companies of Mothers' Jewels.

Raised for all purposes by cash and voucher, $837.97; sent to General Treasurer, $792.86. Each of our Auxiliaries has taken upon itself the responsibility of raising part of its local Church benevolence and also do some local work, thus making itself felt in its community and gaining the confidence of the pastors.

Through our Conference Secretary of Literature, who is an enthusiastic worker, the literature has a wide circulation in our Conference. All of our Department Secretaries are working hard to make their departments what they should be, and we do not think the time is distant when there will be a Missionary Society on every charge.

Our Annual meeting last June was a spiritual blessing, also an inspiration to all who attended. We are looking in the future with a vision of great things for the coming year; and as a Conference Society we again pledge our loyalty and ask your prayers.

MRS. JAS. P. MONROE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LITTLE ROCK.

We have endeavored the past year to awaken dormant Auxiliaries, to organize new ones, and by a house-to-house canvass to strengthen all lines of work of our great Society. Truly the Lord has blessed our efforts.

The women's meetings held in connection with the District Conference, namely Forrest City, Clow, Little Rock, and Pine Bluff, were the best in our history. Bishop Quayle's address at our Conference Anniversary can not be forgotten. The Conference President, Mrs. M. F. Thornton; the Conference Organizer, Mrs. A. C. Davis, and the Conference Treasurer, Mrs. G. F. Gray, helped to make it inspiring and helpful to all. Bishop Quayle said that he had not seen such a large number of women at a Conference meeting. O, how his words delighted and encouraged us to go forward!

The Annual meeting held in July at New Edinburgh in the Pine Bluff District, of which Rev. C. W. Whitehead is the District Superintendent, was a spiritual and intellectual blessing from beginning to end. The meeting was held five or six miles from a saw-mill town. Many people attended and seemed anxious to hear about the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A large number of National Annual Reports were distributed, and several subscriptions for *Woman's Home Missions* were secured. A Queen Esther Circle, a company of Home Guards, a Mothers' Jewels Band, a White Shield League, and an Auxiliary were organized.

Mrs. H. M. Naysmith, Superintendent of Adeline Smith Home, has given excellent addresses at our District Conferences.

Some of our Queen Esther girls are doing good work in a cotton plant.

Miss Callie Hobson, a student at Adeline Smith Home, and Miss Lummie Jones, a student at Rust Home, tell of the blessings that are coming to them through the work of our Society.

The pledges were not forgotten, although they were not all paid. This coming year we can pay them all, and we will. May our Heavenly Father bless every effort that will be made, and may we anew consecrate our lives to His service. We are grateful to all who have aided us, and we ask your help another year in forwarding this noble work of which we are a part.

"The fight is on, Christian soldier,
And face to face in stern array,
With armor gleaming, colors streaming,
The right and wrong engaged to-day!

"The fight is on, but be not weary;
Be strong, and in His might hold fast.
If God be for us, His banner o'er us,
We'll sing the victor's song at last!"

MRS. G. N. JOHNSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LOUISIANA.

This is the closing of another year's work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The women of the Louisiana Conference rejoice to say that, while it is hard to estimate the blessing our labor has brought to others, we feel that we have *received* a goodly portion of blessings in trying to do something for the "love of Christ, and in His name." Those who have been loyal, and have been striving so earnestly, have been more than repaid for the year's work in the beginning of the building of Peck Home. Ground was broken in the latter part of June, and it was a memorable event. Quite a number of the preachers of the Conference were present and promised their support in the work.

Mrs. Knostman was at our Anniversary, held at the Annual Conference at Franklin, La., in February, and at our Annual Convention, held at Gretna, La., in July, in the interest of Peck Home.

Most of the Auxiliaries have been organized into District Associations. Our Young People's work is not what we would like it to be; but hope, as renewed efforts are put forward, this department will give better results.

We had hoped to have had Miss Bessie Garrison with us for a week this year; but so far have failed to get her.

We have not made the pledges this year that we had hoped to have done. We have been doing what we could for Peck Home; but next year we hope to do better, and give something to the different causes as they are presented to us. Could you but see and know, it would be evident to you that the work in our Conference is not carried on by the great numbers, but by the sacrifices of a faithful few, who have come with loving hearts and willing hands, and are striving to do what they can if only they can hear the plaudit of the Master saying, "Well done," and feel that

"When Heaven reveals the story
Of thousands saved from sin,
'T will be their mite that held the light
That brought the wanderers in."

(MISS) CORNELIA NAYMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MAINE.

As we move forward before the scythe of old Father Time, we come to the end of another fiscal year, and now bring our sheaves into the garner of the Lord. When we left that wonderful Convention in Buffalo, we were full of hope and enthusiasm for another year, and tried to give others a share of that seven days' feast.

We are glad to note improvements in our Conference Society. Many Auxiliaries maintain their zeal, several new ones are trying their powers, and three new Circles of young people are proving the vigor of young blood. At our Conference Anniversary we had the pleasure of an address by Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors of Michigan. Her name is no misnomer, for she was a delight to us all. Miss Betha Fowler and Mrs. Boswell of Philadelphia were present and rendered valuable and timely assistance.

Our Deaconess Home in Portland is doing excellent service, and the workers are much appreciated in the Conference. We regret the contemplated departure of Miss A. Maude King, the Superintendent, who has conducted the affairs of the Home with the fidelity and ability that is a credit to herself and the Conference.

Our Deaconess Board has accepted the occupancy and management of the Amee Rest Home in Gardiner, the title of which is held by the trustees of the Gardiner Church. There is an endowment of $2,500, which amount the friends of the institution propose to increase. The Amee Home has been opened auspiciously, and Miss Robinson, from the Portland Home, has been placed there as Superintendent.

Our work was presented at the Old Orchard camp meeting, an instructive survey of the work being given by Rev. J. M. Arters, and our new battle hymn was sung. Miss Fassett and Mrs. Wright rendered able assistance at the Livermore camp meeting, and Miss Foster at the North Ansonia camp meeting.

Our pledges are nearly all paid, and we expect that the payments will be completed by the end of the year. Our Mite-box Offerings have increased, and one hundred dollars is expected from this source. The Supply Department reports articles valued at $156; cash, $57; and three thousand garments.

We gratefully acknowledge the faithful services of the District Secretaries, who have met some discouragements. We believe that the Societies would be responsive to personal visitation by Secretaries or field workers, and that such supervision would bring valuable results.

There is an increase in subscriptions of the children's paper, and some in our missionary paper, but a larger number is needed to increase intelligence and awaken interest.

Mrs. Geo. R. Palmer, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MICHIGAN.

We started the new year with high hopes and aspirations. We have not reached our goal, but do rejoice that through the help of our Heavenly Father and the faithful women of our Auxiliaries we are enabled to report some net increase all along the line. Our pledges have been paid in full. We are privileged to report a net increase in Auxiliaries, Circles, Bands, and Jewels.

Death has entered our ranks and taken some of our loyal workers, among whom were Mrs. Julia A. Rose, for many years our Recording Secretary, and Mrs. G. S. Kimball, one of our efficient Secretaries of Young People's Work. Each of these, by payment of twenty dollars by their respective Districts, was made a perpetual member "In Memoriam."

Each of the seven Districts held their Annual meeting. Mrs. Celestine Bernheim of Chicago was present at four, gave several addresses, and spoke at several other points. She captivated the hearts of her hearers, and will always have a large place in Michigan Conference. Mrs. F. H.

Spence, recently from our Jesse Lee Home in Unalaska, addressed the other three. She, too, was enthusiastically received, and, as we supported her from our mite jugs, she seems like our very own. These two also presented our work at camp meetings. Mrs. E. L. Weaver, Reserve Field Secretary, gave the address at our Annual Conference meeting. All were delighted with her. Dr. D. D. Martin of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga., gave a very forceful address at our Conference Anniversary meeting, held September 16th in Kalamazoo. He paid a pleasing tribute to our Miss Flora Mitchell.

Our Conference Organizer, Mrs. O. C. Bedford, has been instant in season and out of season, organizing where possible. The great need in Michigan Conference is leaders who are willing to spend and be spent in the Master's service. We rejoice in our record for the year, and shall work to make the present the best in our history. Our watchword is advancement along all lines.

MRS. F. A. HALL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MINNESOTA.

Minnesota Conference has for years sent a report of growth, and we had looked forward to sending in a most glowing one this, our twenty-fifth year of work for our Master, but as the poet says, "The best-laid plans o' mice and men aft gang aglee." I suppose that we may take it that it may also be true of women's plans.

We have not had the growth we had hoped for, no doubt because our Conference deaconess, who had done such good service for us, had to be used for another line of work, that of Juvenile Court—such a field for good. So while we may not have increased perceptibly in numbers, we have much cause for rejoicing that so much has been done—work that we can not see, perhaps, but He knows, and it is written in the book of His remembrance.

Our Deaconess Home is a very large factor in Minnesota Conference. There have been nine deaconesses in the Home the past year: Miss Clara Midcalf, Superintendent; Miss Hannah Nelson, Travelers' Aid; Miss Marion Perry, Juvenile Court; Miss Mary L. Winget, Grace Church and Phalen Creek Mission; Miss Maria Z. Doutson, Arlington Hills and First Swedish Church; Miss Grace Meek, Central Park Church (now gone to the foreign field); Miss Margaret Snyder, parish work at Rochester, Minn.; Miss Verta Naylor, District deaconess; and Miss Christine Anderson, Norwegian and Danish Churches; all doing such good service "For the love of Christ and in His name."

Phalen Creek Mission has been a success from the first. Miss Mary Winget has this as part of her work, and it means so much to the children of that part of our city.

We have had good District meetings, much enthusiasm prevails, and we are looking forward. It was a great privilege for our women to hear Mrs. B. S. Potter at our Annual meeting. She gave us a rousing address on the work.

Miss C. K. Swartz, National Field Secretary, came to us in June. She has been at work in our Conference since, and we hope to have her with us yet a little longer. We know she will help the work in every way.

Our finances have kept up and perhaps just a little more, and when our Deaconess Home is paid for we will be able to help the other work much more. We regret our inability to reach out to larger things, but He knoweth, and will make good our efforts.

Our Secretary of Supplies reports: Cash supplies to frontier ministers, $345.95; supplies to our Deaconess Home, $427.50; total, $773.46.

Our pledges to the work in general will be somewhat larger this year.

We are to hold a Joint Annual Convention with the Northern Minnesota Conference, this being the twenty-fifth year in the work.

We are growing. We may not see it, but we can't help but grow, the needs are so great.

Mrs. Geo. F. Jennings, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MISSISSIPPI.

Our Conference has made a forward movement this year. We are pleased to report increasing interest, and as this increase shows steady growth, it is very encouraging. Our Conference is thoroughly organized, with competent Secretaries at the head of each department pushing their several interests with much zeal. Our receipts show quite an increase over last year.

The Young People's Work is in the hands of a competent Secretary, who will endeavor to make our Conference grow in that branch of work.

We were greatly favored at the Annual Meeting with the presence of Miss Bessie M. Garrison, Field Secretary, who in simple but touching words addressed the Conference Board in the interest of the Building and Improvement Funds.

We are also urging upon all our members the importance of reading and becoming better acquainted with the facts concerning the work of our Society, for the more we know about the work, the more anxious are we to have a part in it. The great, pressing need all through our Conference seems to be for more active workers. Truly the "harvest is great and the laborers are few."

Our Annual meeting, which was held June 22d to 25th at Pass Christian, was quite a success. Annual reports, leaflets, and copies of our paper have been distributed throughout the Conference. A large amount of local work has been done this year in the Conference. Dues this year, $132. In no Church visited has the pastor refused the presentation of our work. We have not accomplished all we desired, but with a living Christ realized and a Church that depends upon Him, there is sufficient to hearten us into confidence and to cause us to put away our fears.

Christ lives and He must reign until He has put all enemies under His feet.

Mrs. L. P. Brown-May, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MISSOURI.

This year, from our nucleus of two Auxiliaries we have increased to four, with an added membership of forty. Through the efforts of two of our deaconesses, two Queen Esther Circles have been organized with a membership of twenty-five. At our Conference Anniversary, held in Brookfield, September 30th, we were favored by the presence of both Miss Elizabeth Evans and Miss Carrie Barge.

Miss Evans had a supply of literature which was freely distributed. As information is brought to our Churches we hope for added interest and growth. Miss Barge was very helpful and in her splendid address held the thoughful attention of a large audience.

At the close a number of names for membership and subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* were received.

Not the least, though the last to make mention of, was the making of our first pledges. General Fund, $150; Student Aid, $100; Special, $50.

Remember us with prayerful interest as we sow for larger reaping.

MRS. C. J. CHASE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MONTANA.

The past year has found our beloved Woman's Home Missionary Society better equipped and better informed as to the needs of those for whom we are working than ever before. Our membership has increased, more papers taken, and a deeper interest in the study of the year-book than any previous year.

Some of our Auxiliaries have organized Queen Esther Circles which are doing good work.

The Children's Work has not been neglected, as we have several Mothers' Jewels and Home Guard bands, who are cared for by earnest Christian women who believe in instilling the true missionary spirit into these young minds.

Our pledges have all been met and we have increased them for this year, and hope to do still better next year. We are working and praying for this, and hope by the help of our Heavenly Father to go forward and take this land of ours for Christ.

MRS. N. E. CHURCH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEBRASKA.

We have closed the records for another year. Our report is not as good as we would like it to be, but we have no reason to be discouraged. Last year we pledged $3,500 and we paid $3,501 to the regular work of the Society. We have increased our unconditional pledge to $3,600 for this year. In addition to this we shall try to pay $500 on the Bonds and $500 toward a new building for the Mothers' Jewels Home.

MRS. LESLIE STEVENS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEWARK.

The old truism that "time flies" is perhaps never more aptly realized than at such a time as this, for it is difficult to appreciate the fact that another year has passed since I wrote my annual report for the twenty-ninth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and while it has been a year full of restlessness in the business world, it has, during its passing, wrought much good in many ways for the betterment of mankind in both the physical and spiritual world. Great movements have been inaugurated, which can readily be divided into two classes, one of which it is hoped will bring about a condition of affairs that will make life here on earth the better worth the living, and the other is a movement in which the efforts of all Christians of whatever denomination are concentrated, looking toward the evangelization of the world and thus to speedily bring about the fuller realization of the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are pleased to say that the Newark Conference is privileged to have a large share in this great work. While we have a comparatively small membership, we are hopeful that in the near future we shall be able to claim a membership worthy of our Newark Conference; indeed, we have pledged the General Society that we will double our membership, and that will not be a very difficult thing to do if we can get the interest of every one of our women in the effort.

It is a strange, strange phase of human life that an appeal to the people of any nation asking for recruits to protect the life of it meets with instant, enthusiastic, and hearty response, and yet we, in pleading for recruits for a peaceful warfare against those things that just as surely tend to destroy it, are sometimes met with an indifference that is almost appalling.

If this Government of ours should find itself at war to-morrow with any nation, the recruiting officers would be in the street enrolling men who were ready to give their time, their money, and their lives, if need be, in defense of the nation. They would rally round the Stars and Stripes by tens of thousands, and though the defense of the flag would entail all the horrors of bloody war, there would be no hesitation.

And yet our women have entered upon a warfare just as necessary for the real protection of the homeland, only we are fighting those insidious things which come, not with a blare of trumpets, nor are they heralded by the crash of musketry, nor do they make their presence felt by the shriek of shrapnel or the deep diapason of tremendous artillery. No, our foes come with no such announcements as these.

We are fighting ignorance, that enemy of society that can destroy it as thoroughly as the plague. We are trying to eliminate the very germs of it by providing to every community where we have the people and the money to do it, "Halls of Learning" and schools of industry which, properly conducted, quickly puts ignorance to flight. We are carrying on a warfare against vice of whatever type or wherever found. We are fighting the "liquor traffic," white slavery, and polygamy, and every other evil that militates against the highest type of Christian citizenship. We are carrying on this warfare with an army of women scarcely large enough to fill the skirmish line of our expectations, but we are praying, hoping, pleading for recruits to enable us to do the work that He has given us to do in such an acceptable manner as shall be pleasing to Him, and we know that to do this, we must double our membership.

It is scarcely necessary to make the statement that the Conference pledges to the work of the Society were met in full, and in addition thereto we are gratified to report that we have been able to purchase a $500 bond toward the liquidation of the debt of the General Society. I say, we are gratified to report this, for it is in addition to our apportionment for the Building and Improvement Fund, which we paid in full.

Our efficient Mite-Box Secretary, Mrs. A. D. Vinland, of Paterson, N. J., reports an increase over last year of $122.03 from these "silent missionaries," the total being $940.46, which is the banner year for the Newark Conference.

One great department of our work in which we are vitally interested is the work among our young people. They are our hope for the future. Upon them will rest some day the responsibilities that we now bear. It is our work to arouse their interest in our missionary efforts, and through it to securely attach them to the Church. For some time we were without officers to take charge of this important work and it languished somewhat, but it is our pleasure to report that we have been blessed by having sent to us two efficient women who have taken the interest of this work to heart and have assumed the responsibility for its development. Miss

Florence A. Hawks, of Elizabeth, N. J., has accepted the office of Secretary for Queen Esther Circles, and Mrs. James C. Pierson, of Plainfield, has taken the office of Secretary for Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels. We have no doubt as to the successful administration of our Young People's Societies.

We are making a special effort to secure a larger list of subscribers to our splendid papers, *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, papers that should be in the homes of every Methodist and in the hands of every Methodist Sunday school girl and boy, and certainly should be read by every one that is at all interested in home missionary work. We aspire to a list of 1,000 subscribers to each of these papers, and have made an earnest plea that our women see to it that this result is achieved.

The two Deaconess Homes that are maintained by this Conference, the one in Jersey City and the one in Newark, are both doing splendid work in their respective communities.

In closing this report I do so with almost an oppressive sense of the magnitude of the work before us, and yet the work is one that He, our Father and our Master, has given us to do—therefore we must do it; but as Bishop Berry has said, "If we are to succeed, we will have to run faster, aim higher, build larger, and strike harder than we have ever done before." MRS. HEDLEY R. WOODWARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW ENGLAND.

The past year has been one of special activity along general missionary lines. "The world in Boston," which lasted several months, and enlisted the help of a large army of young people, was devoted in a large measure to the work in foreign lands, yet it had some Home features, and we trust new interest was awakened in the work in Porto Rico, Alaska, among the colored people and the immigrant. Surely Dr. and Mrs. Hayward and Dr. and Mrs. Newhall, with their love for the work in Porto Rico and Alaska, must have sown some seed that will bear fruit. Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors was with us at our anniversary service at the New England Conference in April. She spoke most interestingly on the general work of the Society, emphasizing the necessity of sacrifice and the consequent blessing.

Worcester District has lost two valuable workers. The President, Mrs. H. C. Graton, was connected with the society from its inception and was the Conference Corresponding Secretary in 1881 and 1882. She left $1,000 to be divided between Medical Mission and Immigrant Home. "Active," "influential," "faithful," are words used in the resolutions passed by the Board.

Mrs. W. S. Clark, who passed to her reward in December, was the consecrated District Corresponding Secretary.

The total receipts for the past year have been $11,292.90; $4,079.32 for Immigrant Home building.

The Supply Secretary reports $769.95 cash and new goods.

Two new Auxiliaries have been organized, one of them proving their willingness to be of service by pledging $100 for the Immigrant Home building.

The Young People's Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Leonard, reports six new organizations, making a total of twenty-nine.

One Jewel Band and one Home Guards have been organized this year, and we have three Junior life members and nine Jewel life members.

At a meeting recently held, a lady was introduced as the possessor of 214 Jewels.

Medical Mission and Hull Street Settlement are the leaven which, under His hand, we trust will leaven the whole of the community in the north end of Boston. The heart of the Superintendent, Mrs. E. M. Taylor, has been cheered by many signs of appreciation from those for whom she works.

Mrs. Clark has furnished lodgings for 3,232 people in the Immigrant Home. She and the Treasurer, Miss Hattie B. Cooper, work untiringly so that another year they may have the privilege of being in that new building which so many of the Conferences have worked for and for which we feel very grateful to them.

We greatly appreciate having a room in the New England Conference that is our own, where we can get all the latest literature and gain inspiration from the worker in charge, Mrs. Annie O. Clark.

Mrs. G. E. Parkes, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN.

With the watch-word for 1911 before us, "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward," it is gratifying that the co-operation and loyalty of the Auxiliaries have resulted in increased interest, membership, and finances.

Mrs. Annie O. Clark, of Boston, Mass., ably and enthusiastically presented the great work of the Society at our last annual meeting, and at the Conference Anniversary.

Miss Nellie Snider spent the month of February in the Conference. She visited many of the Churches and Auxiliaries, giving helpful service, and her stay with us was profitable. Her words were an inspiration to many. An Auxiliary was organized at Uncasville, Conn.; a Union Auxiliary at Taunton, Mass., and a Queen Esther Circle at Stafford Springs, Conn. Later a Queen Esther Circle was organized at Mystic, Conn., by Mrs. J. I. Lund, Secretary of Young People's Work on Norwich District. Miss Alice M. Guernsey, of New York City, was secured as speaker at the Willimantic Camp Ground. Her eloquent and forceful address gained new friends for the cause.

The President, Mrs. Walter P. Buck, has been untiring in her efforts to promote the best interests of the Society. She has responded to many calls, speaking before six Auxiliaries, two district meetings, presiding at the Conference Anniversary at South Manchester, Conn., and at two Executive Board meetings.

Annual meetings have been held by the New Bedford and Norwich Districts. At the former Mrs. Amanda C. Clark, of Boston, Mass., presented the needs of the Immigrant Work at East Boston, Mass.

One hundred and thirty copies of the Annual Report, text-books, calendars, leaflets, and other literature have been circulated freely, and it is evident that there is a desire to read and assimilate our literature.

Circular letters have been sent out by the President and Corresponding Secretary to the officers and members asking their assistance and support in a systematic canvass to double the membership and urging renewed consecration for the work.

Our obligations, which have been the largest in the history of the Society, have been paid. The Treasurer's report shows that money has been applied to the different funds as follows:

General Fund	$1,264 79
Special Fund	796 49
Student Aid Fund	790 80
Total	$2,852 08

One Auxiliary life member and one Jewel life member have been enrolled.

Appreciation is due all Conference, District, and Auxiliary officers for their zealous work which has made the successful year possible.

The growing interest and enthusiasm among the young people is noticeable.

The Secretary of Supplies reports cash valuation of goods $434.17, 870 partly worn garments, 417 books, magazines, cards, pictures, etc.

The Auxiliary membership is 1,077, a net gain of a few members.

Death has claimed one of our valued workers, Mrs. Freeman F. Patten, of Stafford Springs, Conn., for many years President of Norwich District, a woman of rare gifts; her life was one of devotion to the service of Christ.

For the record of the past twelve months we are thankful. May our aims reach higher in the year to come!

"I would be a friend of all—the foe, the friendless;
I would be giving and forget the gift;
I would be humble, for I know my weakness;
I would look up—and laugh—and love—and lift."

MRS. ALBERT W. ROGERS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The reports of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in New Hampshire Conference do not measure up to our expectations. We were greatly disappointed in not having a promised Organizer, from whose labors in the Conference we expected a large increase in membership. One new Auxiliary, one revived and reorganized Auxiliary, and an increase in Queen Esther Circles are due to the work of loyal Christian women within our Conference who have love for the work of our Society and a desire to increase and strengthen it.

We were fortunate in having Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors at our Conference Anniversary; it was a delight to listen to her address.

Rev. W. P. Thirkield kindly attended our Anniversary at Weirs Camp Ground and gave a strong address. At Hedding, Mrs. Amanda Clark presented the work of the Immigrant Home, East Boston, and told of the need of a new building. She made clear that the need was imperative. We are sure the building will soon rise. I am glad to say our pledges for last year are, as usual, all paid, although they were larger than ever before.

The opportunities of the past are gone, but new ones are before us. Pray that we be awake to see them as they open to us, and be able to grasp them with a determined purpose to advance His work. We will plan, hope, and work. MRS. E. B. SAVAGE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW JERSEY.

The work of the year in the New Jersey Conference has been successful, enabling us to give a better report than ever before, and our

hearts are indeed made happy as we look back upon the months of continued earnest work, and as we recall the readiness of our Auxiliary members and beautiful Queen Esthers to follow the divine leading. May the time come speedily when our hosts of Methodist women will catch the vision, "America for Christ," and not be disobedient unto it! Perfect harmony has prevailed throughout the entire year, and at our Quarterly Board Meetings, where there has been unity of purpose and action, a beautiful spirit of devotion has been displayed, and we have been inspired and strengthened for better service as the result of such meeting together.

To celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary last year we sent the *New Jersey*, a boat, to the Sinuk Mission, Alaska, and from the letters received from the missionaries in that far-away land, the *New Jersey* is doing better service than even we anticipated, as it has put new spirit and hope into these Eskimos, who have been enabled to help themselves.

The increase in money this year is beyond every expectation. All our pledges have been paid, and the amount sent to the General Treasurer shows a fine increase over last year. Over thirty-eight Homes and schools with special gifts for our work were aided last year, and twenty generous barrels were sent to the men on the "firing line," our preachers on the frontier. Our mite-boxes continue to be the silent reapers, and we can claim a fair increase over last year.

Our Queen Esthers have shown increased interest and youthful enthusiasm under the wise and splendid leadership of their Secretary, and they are nobly assisting in all lines of work assigned by the Conference.

The Conference Anniversary address was given by Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, a most inspiring and profitable address. To prove this, a fine Auxiliary was organized at the close of this session.

The Camp-meetings in New Jersey Conference have held Anniversary Days, and our work has been presented by our own women and Miss Josephine Corbin.

Bancroft Rest Home, a Home and not an institution, in every sense of the word, has suffered a great loss in the "going home" of Miss Madyline Whyland, the Superintendent. One seldom has the opportunity to claim such a life as that of Madyline Whyland as friend and co-worker.

During the past year 75 deaconesses, 23 missionaries, 53 Christian workers, and a large number of friends have been entertained at this Home—a Home that has a distinctive mission, that of providing a temporary resting place as well as a final Home for those who have given their lives to the highest and sweetest of all missions: that of caring for the lonely, the burdened, the suffering of earth's little ones. We look out upon the new year with great hopes and with "agitation, education, and prayer" as our motto. God will abundantly bless our labor and honor our faith; and taking for our text for the coming year the one our National President, Mrs. Robinson, gave to us over and over again at Wichita as our watch-word, "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind," we claim still greater results for God and home and native land the coming year.

MRS. WESLEY B. STOUT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK.

This year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New York Conference. *What hath God wrought!* As we look backward and contemplate a quarter of a century

of earnest, conscientious work done by self-sacrificing toilers in this field, many of whom have passed to their reward, we thank God and take courage, remembering that "it is not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit saith the Lord."

As we pause to review the work of the past year, we rejoice that by the faithful activities of the host of workers a fair degree of success has been attained, that we are able to report an increase in membership, in interest, and in finances.

Any words of mine would be totally inadequate to describe the splendid devotion and consecration of the noble women of our Conference organization, who have labored unceasingly to promote our cause of Home Missions. A beautiful spirit of harmony as well as devotement has been displayed at our monthly Board Meetings, held at the home of our Conference President, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, where we always receive a spiritual uplift and inspiration for better service. A feature of these monthly meetings is the faithful record of the proceedings made by our Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Meese.

At many of these gatherings our beloved President Emeritus of the National organization, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, has been present. Her abiding interest in the cause is constantly expressing itself in deeds of kindness, and her hands are ever busy preparing practical messages of comfort and love for those in distant parts of our mission fields.

It is only right to say that our Conference President, whose efforts are untiring and whose spirit never flags, is a constant inspiration to all her fellow workers.

It is with great regret that I record the fact that our Heavenly Father in infinite wisdom and love has allowed affliction to fall upon some of our officers during the past year. Our hearts are burdened for them, while our prayers constantly rise to the throne of grace in their behalf.

We are not able to report the fine increase in Auxiliaries and membership of last year, as we have had no Field Secretary at work in our Conference.

Our aim during the year now closing has been to conserve and develop what we have, arousing the people to a clearer understanding of the needs of our Society.

God has so richly endowed us with all material blessings that from a mere sense of gratitude alone we can give Him no less than a reasonable portion of our time and substance and the best of our lives in consecration to His service.

In fact, when we have done our best and given our most, it seems all too small in view of the supreme example:

"But none of the ransomed ever knew
How deep were the waters crossed;
Nor how dark was the night that our Lord passed through
Ere He found His sheep that was lost."

During the past three years we have gained over six hundred members, which is a very creditable showing.

The Hudson Auxiliary, on the Poughkeepsie District, reported the largest membership at our Annual Meeting, and it still holds first place, having 124 members. Mrs. C. S. Williams is President. Enthusiastic district meetings have been held on each district, and all have co-operated most earnestly with the Corresponding Secretary in carrying on the work.

Our Secretary of Literature, Mrs. F. E. Tasker, has made a noble effort to disseminate information by circulating literature, also in promoting study courses as a means of education.

By the constant and untiring efforts of our Mite-box Secretary, Miss Mary Briggs, a large amount of money has been collected.

Miss Clara E. King, the Secretary of Supplies, has been abundant in labors, for through this department a multitude of well-packed boxes and barrels have been sent into homes which but for their coming would have been lacking in necessities.

It was the privilege of seven of our members to represent our work at the Annual Meeting in Buffalo, last October, and we were all deeply impressed by the significance of such a great gathering of Christian women, also with the fact there so apparent that the life that *counts* is the life that *serves*. "May the day speedily come when our hosts of Methodist women will catch the vision of 'America for Christ' and not be disobedient!"

The Watts de Puyster Home for Girls at Tivoli is doing its usual good work under the able management of Miss Boddington.

The Immigrant Work at Ellis Island is being carried on in the same spirit of devotion by Miss Alma Matthews, the faithful and tactful missionary, and Mrs. Michell, matron of the fine Home at No. 9 State Street, New York City.

The Young People's Work, under the leadership of Mrs. Chas. Fraim, is gaining in interest and members, and our young people are being trained to take up the work where we shall lay it down.

Our Conference Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Baird, with her usual care and fidelity has attended to all the arduous tasks of her office, though with a heart heavily burdened with sorrow.

We have pledged more than formerly, as we do each year, and every pledge has been met. The work grows; let us not leave one daughter of the Church at ease in Zion until she shall be persuaded to come and help us.

God, arouse us with the determination that so far as in us lies we will give every man and woman and child a chance—the best chance!

MRS. T. H. BARAGWANATH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK EAST.

The past year has been the best in our history as a Conference society. The women have had "a mind to work," and the Lord of harvests has been gracious in bringing the seed sown to full fruition.

We now number forty-four Auxiliaries and thirty-three Circles and Bands, with a membership of over three thousand. The pledges for the year were considerably above those of last year, and yet our Treasurer reports that $1,600 more than the amount pledged was paid into the National treasury.

Forty-seven Homes and schools were assisted by the Student Aid and Special Funds.

The semi-annual meeting, held in St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, in November, was one of the most enthusiastic ever held. Miss Carrie Barge gave one of her inspiring and educational addresses. Mrs. A. B. Sandford presented a comprehensive report of the Annual Meeting at Buffalo.

After years of waiting we were favored in having the services of Miss Barge as Organizer in the Conference during the month of November. New societies and fresh zeal in the old were the result of her labors. Wherever she was heard it was with profit and inspiration.

Our Conference Anniversary, held in New Rochelle in April, was

unusually well attended. The address of the afternoon was delivered by Rev. Robt. M. Moore, pastor of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, and was followed by the consecration of two deaconesses by Bishop Nuelsen.

We have two Deaconess Homes within the borders of our Conference and a Training-school in connection with each. The Brooklyn Home is greatly favored in having secured for its Superintendent, Miss Mary A. Mahon, for many years a successful field worker in Womans' Home Missionary Society work.

The local work of our Conference is carried on in four places, Brooklyn, New Haven, Astoria, and Middletown, and it is largely among the Italian population of these cities.

The Young People's Work had grown to such splendid proportions that it was deemed best to divide it, and two of our Queen Esther young women were elected to superintend it, Miss Helen W. Bryant for the young women's societies, and Miss Edith McIntyre for the Children's Work.

At our annual election, in March, Mrs. L. L. Slack was chosen as President, and the Secretary of Young People's Work was elected to fill her place as Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. C. A. Green continues to be our efficient and hard working Treasurer.

We are not content to rest upon the successes of the past, but intend to press forward with ever-increasing devotion to greater achievements for His Kingdom.

(Miss) Ella M. Chadwick, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH CAROLINA.

Seldom before have we been able to review the work of a year with more pleasing results. We are encouraged to go forward. A few new Auxiliaries have been organized, three Queen Esther Circles, and one Home Guards. At our Annual Meeting in August there were present delegates with reports of the work from all the districts of the State, showing a deeper interest in the work than ever before.

We have succeeded in raising the full amount, $100, pledged for Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C. One woman, who was a student in the Home, Mrs. Fannie Allman Thomas, with her husband, Prof. W. H. Thomas, gave during the year $100 to the library of Kent Home. There are others who have promised to give freely to the same cause.

By faithfulness and activity of the workers, a fair degree of success has been obtained. We have reasons to be thankful to our Heavenly Father for the work accomplished during the past year, and work and pray for greater things during the ensuing year.

(Mrs.) Anna E. Peace, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH DAKOTA.

Our Conference Society was ten years old this spring. It was organized by Mrs. R. H. Young, so well known for her good works in our Home Missionary ranks. If all could realize the shifting, restless, moving population we have, they could appreciate the varied history of our ten years.

In looking over the records, we find that there have been Auxiliaries in forty-seven different places, only three living the whole time. So no one can tell how many lives have been touched nor in how many hearts

Home Missionary seed has been sown. More and more we realize that figures alone can not tell results. Now we have thirteen Auxiliaries, with 282 members.

In June we held our best convention, there being more delegates present and more interest and knowledge of the work manifest. Miss Nellie Snider was with us and captivated the people and cheered and informed us all. She is to be with us at our Conference Anniversary hour, and we are hoping for great and lasting results.

From now on we are sure of a steady upward moving. The work is the Lord's and must succeed. It is one of the "worth whiles" to present to women, and O, how many lives need this uplift! May those who know and believe in it be faithful to present it!

Mrs. F. W. Heidel, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH INDIANA.

As we review the work of the past year, we realize that we have not accomplished large tasks that would call for special mention, yet we have been able to do some things to help to advance the work of our beloved Society.

Our workers have been faithful and loyal to the various lines of work, and have responded generously to the many demands made upon them. All of the officers, Auxiliary, District, and Conference, have stood nobly at their posts and have been faithful in the discharge of their various duties, and each member has helped to make the work a success.

Our efficient Conference President has given freely of her time and has visited a number of the organizations, and because of her great interest and enthusiasm in the work of Woman's Home Missions, has increased the interest and activity of many others.

Our faithful Treasurer reports that not only have we paid the full amount of our pledge, but that we have a fair increase to our credit.

Our untiring Mite-Box Secretary is able once more to report a good increase in amount of money found in the precious little boxes, and hopes that once more we will stand as the Banner Conference of the Society.

Our Conference Meeting, which was held at First Church, Anderson, in November, was well attended and full of interest. We were greatly favored in having with us our beloved National Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Williams, also Mrs. C. Bernheim, of Marcy Home. Both of these speakers gave us splendid addresses and were a great help and inspiration to us. Most gladly will we welcome them to our midst again, and urge them to come often. We were also glad to have with us Dr. G. L. Spitzer, of our own Indiana Hospital, who presented to us the work and needs of that institution; also Mrs. Anna D. Onstott, one of the Reserve Field Secretaries, who was a most welcome visitor. She gave us many helpful thoughts and suggestions.

At the Anniversary Meeting, during the session of our Annual Conference, which was held at Kokomo, Dr. W. H. Wilder, of the Washington Training-school, gave the address.

It was a pleasure to attend each of our six district meetings, which as usual were held in the month of June. We had with us Miss Carrie G. Davis, Superintendent of Chinese Work, and Mrs. Anna D. Elder, Superintendent of Rebecca McCleskey Home; Addie Jones, a former Boaz girl, now a student at DePauw University, and Miss Snowden, a teacher from Emerson Home. Each of these Superintendents and visitors made many friends, and each in her own way sowed good Home Missionary

seed, which we hope will grow and bear much fruit. The reports showed that much good work has been done in each district. ADVANCE was urged, and pledges were made for a financial increase and for new members. A number of young people attended some of the meetings, and processionals added to the interest and enthusiasm. Several Jewel life members were secured in each district, the total number being thirty-eight.

The Summer School of Missions convened at Winona Lake the last week in June, and we delegated our Conference President to attend. We feel that the school will be the means of winning many recruits for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and are anxious for well-informed workers to be in attendance who will ably represent Home Mission work, so that an idea of the scope and importance of the work may be impressed upon the large number who visit this beautiful resort.

Our Conference has lost several from its working force during the past year, among them one of the Department Secretaries, who has been under the surgeon's knife; another has gone to the Far West, and still another was called to her eternal home.

We are glad for the many good things which have come to us during the passing year, for the degree of success which has crowned our efforts—but we trust the new year will bring us greater numbers, increased success, and larger vision. MRS. A. B. CLINE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH MONTANA.

As a result of the visit of Miss Carrie Barge last October, whom we all enjoyed very much, three Auxiliaries were organized, one at Kalispel, one at Lewiston, and one at Great Falls. These Auxiliaries have been pursuing the "Course of Study" during the past year and found it very interesting and profitable. The Rev. John W. Hancher, D. D., of Iowa, gave us an interesting address at our North Montana Conference Anniversary meeting this year.

We are praying God's blessing on our work this year.

MRS. J. A. MARTIN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH NEBRASKA.

Taking all together the work of the year has borne good results, being faithfully performed by interested, loyal women. Our thirty-one Auxiliaries are growing steadily and gaining in their appreciation of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Considerable effort is constantly needed to keep the ranks full, as our membership is ever moving West. However, our pledges are fully met, and the outlook for the opening year very encouraging. Miss Barge was our helper at the Conference Convention in June. We were unfortunate in not having her longer, but her time was all taken. Mrs. M. E. Roberts gave the address at the Conference Anniversary in September. The number of young people's and children's organizations are increasing. A steady, substantial growth characterizes our work generally.

A few things at least we anticipate for this year—reaching the thousand mark in Auxiliary membership; swelling the number of Auxiliaries; devoting more time and effort to the children and youth, and advancing the Reading Circle work. With these objects in view and faithfully worked for, we shall achieve great things through the strength of the Lord of hosts. MRS. WILLIAM GARST, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH OHIO.

This has been our best year financially, for which we are grateful, and surely the increase in dollars means also increase of interest. Our women are coming to see that "it is not America for America's sake, but America for the world's sake." This otherwise appalling task becomes a mission as we breathe our souls into it and know that we have Divinity back of us.

We are glad for the interest our young people are taking in the varied lines of work.

The pledges made were more than paid, and this year we assumed a little more in addition to a five hundred dollar bond.

Our Conference Anniversary was well attended, and Miss Corbin in her forceful way made new friends for the work.

The Conference Convention, which was held at Delaware, was well attended, and it was a treat we all enjoyed to have Mrs. Williams with us and give an evening address.

With thankful hearts we take up the work for another year.

"O matchless honor all unsought,
High privilege surpassing thought,
That Thou shouldst call me, Lord, to be
Linked in such work, O God, with Thee!"

MRS. M. W. REECE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHERN MINNESOTA.

This is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the State of Minnesota, and the eleventh anniversary of the division of the work into the two Conferences. Northern Minnesota Conference, therefore, is eleven years old. Seven years of this time the present Corresponding Secretary has tried as faithfully as she could to discharge the duties of her office. The backward look, though far from being satisfying, is nevertheless very gratifying. We have proven ourselves and by our works have become known. Every District Superintendent and many of the pastors of our Conference know that this Society stands ready to help in times of distress and need.

When fires have ravaged, cyclones destroyed, sickness overwhelmed, failure of crops, or misfortunes of one kind or another have depleted the already scanty store, our Supply Department has gladly furnished warmth, comfort, and cheer to the inmates of our parsonages, more than $1,000 having been spent for that purpose the last year. Our Deaconess Home, in Duluth, with its five deaconesses going out every day, by their loving ministrations carrying the gospel message to many whose lives would otherwise be untouched, is a department of our work which is a potent factor for good.

We have pledged $100 to help support a mission among the Italians of our own Conference. We help pay the salary of an Indian preacher on one of the reservations of our State, and help pay the salary of an itinerant preacher in one of our northern districts, for much of our territory is still a frontier or mission field. All this we are doing for our own Conference, besides trying to do our part in the National work. We have pledged for 1911-12: $1,365 for General Fund, $1,335 for Student Aid, $1,065 for Special Fund.

We have three girls from our own Conference in Fisk Training-school,

being trained for Christian service, who will come back to work in our Conference, thus setting in motion influences that will spread until they reach the shores of eternity.

Our statistics indicate that we are not growing numerically very rapidly. We wonder at it ourselves, for we organize many new Auxiliaries and gain new members, but almost a corresponding number give up what seems to them a struggle. In spite of this, however, we raise more money every year, and interest in our work is increasing everywhere. We have 37 Auxiliaries, with a membership of 953; 19 Queen Esther Circles, with 479 members; 10 companies of Home Guards, and 11 bands of Mothers' Jewels.

The largest per cent and the most stable part of our increase is in Minneapolis District. There are reasons for this: Nearly all of the district is included in the city of Minneapolis. We have the inspiration which comes from public meetings and contact with the workers that the other districts do not have. But we are constrained to say that many Auxiliaries do not avail themselves of as much help as they might have. When an Auxiliary reports only one subscription to the paper, and does not use the study book and lesson helps and literature provided, we do not wonder they languish, for how can they be interested in things they do not *know* about? A missionary meeting that is only a prayer-meeting or a social hour, with no missionary intelligence, can not be enthusiastic over missions. Sisters, there is no department of Christian activity where you can render more effective service than in our missionary societies.

"Days for deeds are few, my sisters,
Then to-day fulfill thy vow;
If you mean to help another,
Do not dream it—do it now."

MRS. S. J. WEEKS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHERN NEW YORK.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Northern New York Conference is steadily gaining in membership and interest in the evangelization of our own homeland. At our Conference meeting in November, Mrs. Helen A. Seymour, of Sandy Creek, a District Secretary, was also appointed as Field Secretary of our Conference. Through her labors and the co-operation of district and Auxiliary workers, we have gained three Auxiliaries, giving us 96, with a membership of 2,882—a gain of 169. Gain of Circle members, 33; Home Guards, a gain of 62; Jewels' gain, 158; *Woman's Home Missions* taken, 871—increase, 33; *Children's Home Missions,* 652—increase, 115. Financially our pledges are overpaid; also extra personal pledges were made at Buffalo by our delegates.

Mrs. Williams, our National Corresponding Secretary, was with us at our Conference meeting in November, and was a great inspiration and gave us valuable information and counsel. We felt her presence an honor to our gathering.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff gave the address at our Annual Conference in April, interesting the pastors and all who listened to her earnest words for Home Missions.

Miss Josephine Corbin came to us for our district meetings in May and proved so helpful and inspiring we secured her for our camp-meetings and also for our Conference meeting for November.

Our own Italian Mission in Utica will soon have a house of its own.

and the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Northern New York Conference will feel it a great privilege to support its own Mission.

Our Thank-offering in November is to be given for the maintenance of Miss Rodriguez, in our Geo. O. Robinson Orphanage, Porto Rico.

A large amount of literature has been circulated through the Conference, also letters and cards. A beautiful silk flag was given the Auxiliaries gaining the largest number of new members, and a banner is to be given the district reporting the largest gain.

We are looking forward to and praying for larger things the present year, and not only may the Conference be strengthened, but many more hearts be uplifted and helped through our efforts to advance the cause of Home Missions. "As ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

MRS. A. C. DANFORTH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST INDIANA.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Northwest Indiana is moving forward with new Auxiliaries and Circles in each of its five districts.

Our district meetings, held in May, were well attended, with exceptional programs that proved profitable. Miss Davis, of our Chinese Home, was in the meetings. Her addresses were full of inspiration and helpfulness.

We have met all our pledges and more, and paid one hundred dollars for a kindergarten piano in the Oriental Home, the need being presented by Miss Davis at the district meetings.

Our Annual meeting, held at our headquarters—Battle Ground—in August, gave the note of encouragement and progress to our Society. It was decided to advance our work ten per cent along all lines, and to make special effort for the organization of our young people.

Miss Brown, of our Navajo Mission, Farmington, New Mexico, gave the evening address, and spent two weeks in our camp-meeting, giving helpful service in public and cottage meetings.

Our Conference President, Mrs. D. M. Wood, who is also a Reserve Field Secretary, conducted special classes in our Home Missionary Cottage in the study of our new text-book, "Conservation of National Ideals," which proved a valuable innovation.

Miss Josephine Corbin, of Ocean Grove, N. J., one of our beloved deaconesses, gave the Anniversary address at our Ministerial Conference in Terre Haute, October 5th.

Joyful service, giving of our best, is the desire of the Home Missionary women of this Conference.

MRS. W. BENT WILSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST IOWA.

The year just closing has been one of earnest effort, and advance on all lines of work can be reported. Larger obligations have been met, increased interest manifested, Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles have been organized in the Northwest Iowa Conference.

Fortunately, Miss Carrie Barge, in her consecrated and inspiring appeals, has won the young people to higher ideals in Christian service.

At the recent Ministerial Conference, held in Sioux City, Mrs. Hallie

L. Hill gave a stirring address, presenting the conditions of the immigrant in such a way that all felt added responsibility imposed upon us.

Rev. D. A. McBurney was with us at the Conference meeting held in Manson and gave a thought-provoking address on the "Invasion of America—A peaceful invasion, but one pregnant with possibilities." He said, "Can you handle the job God has put in your front yard?" and declared the Woman's Home Missionary Society came nearer answering the challenge than any other body.

Rejoicing in the success of the past, we press forward to still higher attainments. MRS. JAMES S. CAMPBELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST KANSAS.

One year has passed since the last great gathering of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Buffalo, and with it many discouragements and disappointments. We have also had some success in the Home Missionary work in our Conference, for which we are thankful to God.

We have missed very much our Conference Deaconess, Miss Addie E. Benedict, who was absent for over a year, studying real life in the different phases of Home Missionary work in the South and in the large cities in the East. She spent some time in Chicago, also in Philadelphia, New York, and Boston.

She comes back to us now full of knowledge and enthusiasm, and I am trusting to her to even raise the dead, for some of her Auxiliaries have really died during her absence.

We have also been successful in creating some new ones. I organized an Auxiliary at a country Church called Lockard, with ten members, that now numbers thirty. They had a picnic and bazaar in August, which it was my privilege to attend, and they cleared $72 to apply on missions, and I am thinking that their influence for the Woman's Home Missionary Society will be felt before the close of the fiscal year 1912.

I organized one Queen Esther Circle that numbers twenty-seven members. They are proving themselves to be faithful and zealous in the service of the Master.

Mrs. Cotton Mather was with us at our Annual Conference and made the Home Missionary address, and was an inspiration to many. She worked in the Conference for two weeks through bad weather and many discouraging scenes, but awakened those with whom she met to a realization of the necessity of more active work, and from her efforts some Circles and Auxiliaries have since been organized.

Rev. Otis Gunckel and wife have organized three Queen Esther Circles and one Auxiliary on his charge.

We have a very faithful and zealous corps of Conference officers, who are willing to deny themselves for Christ's sake. Could I say as much of all of the district officers that we elect annually, I might report better things at this time.

Some are doing well and trying to boost the cause, while others do nothing but watch to see it die. If there is any remedy for these ills, I would be thankful for an explanation. O, that more Marthas and Marys, as of old, might be raised up to help move on the great wheel of salvation until all shall know the Lord!

The 30,000 foreigners in our Conference that I told you about last year are still with us, but, so far as I know, we as a Society are doing but very little for them. What we need are deaconesses or workers of

their own tongue to carry the gospel into the homes to the mothers and children.

Our pledges made last year were all but one paid in full before the close of the fiscal year; that has been sent in since, but will not apply on any of the present pledges. It has been but a few years since our Conference felt they could pay more than their dues, and last year we gave over $2,000, sowing seed in thirty different institutions that are being fostered by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

This year we are trusting our faithful women to still do a little better than ever before, for we realize there is no standing still, and we must continually be moving to grander and more noble achievements.

Miss Clara Baxter is still our city deaconess at Salina, and is very helpful in all lines of Church work. We are asking for Miss Nelly Snider to be with us in our Annual Conference in Salina in March and make the annual address, and work for us through the month of April, dividing her time between the four districts.

My prayer is that the professed Christians of Methodism may be brought so close to Jesus that they may realize the necessity of obeying the command of God, to "bring ye all of the tithes into the storehouse, and prove Me if I will not pour you out a blessing until there shall not be room enough to receive it." May the Lord hasten the day when all shall pay ten cents to the Lord's work for every dollar received.

MRS. ISAIAH MCDOWELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST NEBRASKA.

This is our first report, for as a Conference we are new in Woman's Home Missionary Society work. Mrs. M. Libby Allen, of Des Moines, Iowa, visited and spoke at our Conference at Ainsworth a year ago. Seed was sown then that grew into an Auxiliary at that place, organized about six months later.

Mrs. Cotton Mather, of Fort Collins, Colorado, spoke at our recent Conference held at Crawford, and organized an Auxiliary at that place. September 10th she spoke at Alliance and organized an Auxiliary. We thank God for these faithful National workers who come among us and encourage us in the work.

We hope to grow in numbers, and desire to become efficient workers in winning "America for Christ."

MRS. J. J. VANCE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OHIO.

What have we accomplished during the year 1910-11 for our Master in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society? Have we done all we could; will He accept our work?

We have gained quite a number of new societies and lost several. We are sure we are gaining each year, but do we measure up as we should?

Our Conference meeting was held at Athens; attendance, the largest we have ever had. Miss Josephine Corbin, Miss Nellie Snider, and Mrs. E. T. King spoke for us, and they were greatly enjoyed by all. Mrs. Elder attended the six district meetings.

The District Secretaries reported much good done, and felt it a great pleasure to have her with them.

In October the new Deaconess Home at Columbus was dedicated. It is a very fine building and should be a comfortable Home. We trust that it may be a lighthouse for good in the Ohio Conference.

God be with us and help us to do our duty, that we may hear the words, "Well done!" MRS. E. W. SEEDS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OKLAHOMA.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is steadily winning its way and gaining a larger place in the hearts of the people of this Conference.

Eight new Auxiliaries have been organized during the year, and a very satisfactory gain has been reported in membership and cash receipts. Three interesting district meetings were held, and one Conference Convention. Miss Addie Benedict and Mrs. Delos M. Wood rendered efficient service at these gatherings.

Mrs. Nasmyth, of Adeline Smith Home, gave the address at the Conference Anniversary, which was pronounced one of the best ever delivered in the Conference.

Several districts have shown unusual activity in building up the work, the officers evincing a responsibilty for the work not shown heretofore.

Twelve representatives from this Conference attended the Annual Meeting at Wichita, which means added interest and enthusiasm for the work of our beloved Society this year.

We are young in the work, but our hopes are high, and with more prayer and consecration we hope to make this the banner year.

MRS. J. F. WARREN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OREGON.

The work of the past year in Oregon Conference has been one of strenuous labor, at times encouraging, other times discouraging, first victory, then seeming defeat, but we are anticipating a good year. Many of our pastors have written us encouraging letters, and all have promised to co-operate.

Our four districts are all well organized. In three districts alone we have at least thirty ministers laboring faithfully in our frontier Churches receiving less than $500 a year, and several as low as $200; these men in almost every case are men with families of from one to four children. Many of our Auxiliaries have done nobly in responding to the call for aid in these cases.

We regret that because of distance we have been unable to reach all our Auxiliaries in person this year. The Auxiliaries reached by Mrs. Hill on her itinerary in our Conference are more awakened to their privileges and reply readily to any appeal made to them.

Klamath, our remotest district, sent reports from each Auxiliary, and showed an increase from each one.

Some Auxiliaries in each of the other districts failed to report at all, but we hope by another year to be able to report in full. Many of our Auxiliaries did nobly, one having raised this year $1,000, an average of $10 per member.

Our Old People's Home, in Salem, which is an institution of our Oregon Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, has been repaired and enlarged to meet the needs, and the streets paved, these things having been paid for by our Auxiliary.

We expect to make advancements this year. Some of the things we are aiming at are to double our membership, get our officers awakened to their duties, increase the subscription list to *Woman's Home Missions*, get our Auxiliaries "as far as possible" to use the study course, and complete our plans for a Mission to be opened in Portland.

We feel we are greatly favored by having as our leader this year Mrs. Fletcher Homan, wife of President Homan of Willamette University, and our prayer is that the years to come may be much better than any the rich past has furnished.

MRS. W. H. BACHMEYER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA.

In the passing into the haven of rest of our former beloved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Palen, we are deprived of a wise counsellor, a consecrated worker, and one faithful in all things. While we mourn our loss, we know that heaven is richer by her presence. The year has been filled with faithful service on the part of officers and members. We have gained 300 Auxiliary members and 286 young people. All of our pledges made at the annual meeting were paid, and in many instances more money was added to the original pledge.

The result of the work of our young people is a source of much delight to our Conference women. The work has been ably presented by our officers upon many occasions.

We are aiming to make October a dues-paying month. The members of one Auxiliary expect to pay all their dues by the November meeting. Our aim, "an organization in every Church," either an Auxiliary or a young people's organization.

MRS. DAVID DAILEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PITTSBURGH.

The success of the year just closed leads me to quote a verse from a hymn composed by our pastor, Dr. J. H. Willey:

> "We lift up our voice in thanksgiving and praise,
> Thou God of our fathers, the Ancient of Days!
> For Thou hast been with us, Thy wisdom our guide,
> Thy arm to protect, and Thy grace to provide."

Our remodeled Deaconess Home, with its enlarged facilities and conveniences, enables us to broaden our field and extend our work. Kindergarten classes and clubs for older boys and girls, classes in sewing, and mothers' meetings now fill up all the time of our workers when not engaged with their other duties. Miss Collins, a deaconess kindergartner, has charge of the school. Five of our deaconesses are working in as many different missions among the crowded tenement districts. The others are engaged in regular parish work, nursing, and travelers' aid.

The sudden death of Miss Nettie Haney, a deaconess, last winter cast a deep shadow over our Home and its friends. Her beautiful character endeared her to many.

The nineteen happy, healthy children at the Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home, in Hulton, Pa., are ample reward for all labors connected with their welfare. Over fifty children have been cared for in

the past six years; those not now with us have been returned to relatives, or good homes have been found for them.

Our Conference pledges have been met, and our pledges for work outside the Conference have been paid. With fully organized districts the work moves more smoothly. We regret our failure to double our membership, but renew our pledge and will endeavor to keep it the coming year.

Financially we consider this the best year of our work, as our Treasurer's report will show. No very large amounts have been contributed this year, but liberal responses in small sums go to make up the aggregate.

MRS E. H. UTLEY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PUGET SOUND.

One year ago I was called to the office of Conference Corresponding Secretary, which carries with it such great responsibility, but I count it a privilege to serve in this capacity an organization which stands for the upliftment of humanity and the winning of America for Christ.

I suppose we have never passed a mile-stone in the history of our Society without some regret that more had not been accomplished; but as we look back over the way, we are made to feel that every year has been a *good* year, and so this year has been no exception. Much has been done, and much more remains to be done; but it has been said that "to God's people there are no Alps," and we are constrained to "go forward," leaving results to God.

Mrs. Hallie L. Hill, National Field Secretary, came into our Conference the first week in April, spending a week in each of the five districts. Her itinerary was so arranged that she was able to attend all the district conventions, and she did a splendid work in organizing new societies, encouraging others, presenting the work before Sunday school associations, ministerial meetings, and student gatherings, holding workers' conferences, speaking in churches, and leaving many helpful suggestions for the betterment of the work.

Mrs. Perkins, Bureau Secretary for Japanese and Korean Work on the Pacific Coast, was also here at this time. Her coming was in the interest of the Japanese work at Seattle, and both she and Mrs. Hill lent valuable aid in the selection of the site for the new Catharine P. Blaine Home. This new work has been successfully launched and is worthy of the best that we can give. A splendid Committee of Control, with Mrs. Harry E. Wilson, of Seattle, as Chairman, has this work in charge, and they have been untiring in their efforts. The Home is being cozily furnished, and many a poor Japanese or Korean girl will be made safe, comfortable, and happy within its walls. It was formally opened in June, and thirty-one girls and women have passed through it since that time. A permanent and capable matron has been secured in Miss Robinson, who was for some two years a worker in Jesse Lee Home. Classes have been organized in dress and coat making, embroidery, English, also a kindergarten class of ten and a Cradle Roll of nine. On Sunday there is a Bible class; some calling is done in the homes of the children, and once a month the parents are invited to meet in the Home. We would plead for $60 scholarships, also kindergarten scholarships at $15, to aid in carrying forward this promising work. The indebtedness on the Home is a burden which lies heavily on the Committee of Control, and they should have the sympathy and support of our entire membership. There is great need of a permanent Japanese worker in the Home, and as soon as one can be secured, it will mean much to the growth of the work.

In May we incorporated as a Conference Society, and purchased property which is to be the future home of the "Tacoma Settlement Work," formerly known as the "Italian Industrial Mission." The new name seems better suited to the form of work carried on here. The property purchased is unimproved, and the work is still maintained in rented quarters which are entirely inadequate. The work is growing at a rapid rate, and we have found it necessary to employ an assistant for our worker, Miss Sexton. The new worker is Miss Alvina Anderson, who is proving herself invaluable. Interest in the Sunday service is steadily increasing, and a warm place is being won in the hearts of the Italian parents. At present there are about seventy-five children in the school, and eight classes are maintained: a kindergarten class of twenty, two boys' classes in manual training, and girls' classes in music, fancy work and higher art, dressmaking, cooking, and millinery. Through the winter and spring a reading room was kept open for the young men and larger boys, and they came in such numbers that they could not be accommodated. The parents frequently call on the workers, showing their goodwill in many ways. Much is needed in the way of equipment, and there is most urgent need for a suitable building in which to carry on this growing work. All Auxiliaries and Circles in Tacoma and vicinty have been asked to hold at least one meeting during the year at the Tacoma Settlement House; and Miss Sexton feels that we could not do anything which would promote interest in the work more than this plan.

At Stickney the work is gradually becoming more self-supporting and is progressing admirably under the new plan. The school and Church, in charge of Miss Rouls and Brother and Sister Anderson, are working a wonderful transformation in the home life of the Indians.

A very encouraging feature of our work here is the growing interest among young people in the cause of Home Missions. We count ourselves fortunate in having with us this year our own Miss Alice Hawthorne, who labored so successfully last year with Miss Barge among the young people of the Eastern and Central States. Seven new societies have been organized during the year: four Auxiliaries, one young woman's Auxiliary, and two Queen Esther Circles. These have brought to our ranks about 120 new workers; but since some societies have ceased to exist, our membership remains practically the same as last year. However, it is not by numbers alone that we measure our success, and so we are not discouraged. There has been an increase of twenty-nine in the number of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 413 copies now being taken, and the number of subscriptions to *Children's Home Missions* has nearly doubled during the year, 436 copies now being used in our Conference. Tacoma and Olympia Districts report 40 and 30 copies respectively, which are distributed for Sunday school and city mission work. We shall continue the campaign for new subscribers to both papers, as we wish our people to be informed and educated along missionary lines.

Our anniversary meeting was held September 14th in the beautiful new Mason church in Tacoma. A splendid audience was in attendance, and a masterful missionary address was delivered by Dr. A. W. Leonard, pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church, Seattle, and brother of our Bureau Secretary for Porto Rico. The immigration problem was the principal theme of the address, and should do much toward awakening our people to the appalling conditions in our midst.

I feel that I can not close my report without a word in regard to the passing of our beloved President Emeritus, Mrs. Eliza Sulliger. Truly she is worthy to sit down with the Father, and we remember with both sorrow and joy that she has been called to her reward. The influence of

her sweet life and noble Christian character will ever be a blessing to us, and inspire us to greater activity in the work which was so near to her heart and in which she labored so many years.

Mrs. H. P. Thomas, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ROCK RIVER.

Rock River Conference triumphs over the misfortune of losing by resignation its Conference Secretary, Mrs. J. B. Gascoigne, in the middle of the year. The success of the year is due to the fact that the Conference, District, and Auxiliary officers have worked and co-operated effectively, proving again how close and complete is the organization of our Society.

The monthly Board meetings are well attended, both by Secretaries and officers, who report on work done, and by Auxiliary members seeking help.

Marcy Home, with Miss Brown succeeding Miss Rutan, who was compelled to resign, because of ill-health, as Superintendent, goes forward to greater usefulness. Mrs. D. D. Thompson resigned from the chairmanship of the Marcy Home Committee, in spite of vigorous protests, and Mrs. M. A. Hubbell is her efficient successor.

The regular work in night school, kindergarten, music, sewing school, and mothers' meetings, etc., was discontinued during the summer months; then came the summer kindergarten, an organization of Boy Scouts, which, under the Rev. J. C. Carwardine, started with twenty boys and is gaining ground steadily, proving an inspiration to many boys of the street.

Miss Brown, the Superintendent of Marcy Home, asked the women of the Conference to make outings for Jewish mothers and children possible—and the response was more than generous. About five hundred people were treated to a picnic in some city park. In the dispensary 433 patients were treated during the month of July—the average for the year being a hundred per week. An unusual feature of Marcy Home work was a miniature Child Welfare Exhibit, given by the City Health Department, in which many mothers were instructed as to the care of their children.

Mrs. and Mr. Bernheim are doing very acceptable work in behalf of the Jews. Mr. Bernheim has served as teacher and spiritual leader, and Mrs. Bernheim has done splendid field work, giving addresses in churches and homes.

Lincoln Street flourishes, and no member of the fine body of workers is more appreciated than our Miss Anderson, who is Superintendent of the Industrial Department. A class of 150 girls learn to sew complete outfits for themselves, graduating in dresses made by their own hands. The Rev. W. S. Fleming combines the manual training and the gymnasium work with the religious work with rare skill.

Old Ada Street Church has been sold, and the day nursery in that section has been put into the hands of the Congregational ladies, as they have a strong work there.

In a bright room in the new Italian Church there is a fine kindergarten, with an attendance of fifty-five or sixty. There is a first-class teacher, with cadets from the Chicago Kindergarten College as assistants, working in as well equipped a kindergarten as any in the city of Chicago. This state of affairs is made possible by the energy of the Italian Work Chairman, Mrs. M. M. Rocheleau, whom Mrs. G. F. Swift has generously assisted. A mothers' meeting and a kitchen garden are important adjuncts to this work.

Mrs. Salter still presides over the destinies of the work among miners at Ladd, Spring Valley, and Joliet. At Ladd the Mormon church is consecrated to Methodist work, and the bell secured with love gifts from the children calls to worship. At Spring Valley our camp meeting gave Mrs. Salter another chance to win new help to our cause. A mothers' room at Spring Valley, furnished and equipped by our children, does more than give bodily comfort.

At South Chicago the work advances with Mrs. Fannie Ryan as Chairman, and Mrs. Lizzie G. Starks as deaconess.

The Girls' Club is as yet in a formative condition, but with Mrs. Matthew Pinkerton and Mrs. F. E. Thornton heading the committee the success of the work is assured.

Miss Carrie Barge has ministered largely to the Conference this year, speaking at the Semi-Annual Conference meeting and at all the District meetings but one, visiting forty-nine churches, and effecting seventeen new organizations. At the camp meeting aniversary at Des Plaines on July 20th, Miss Barge spoke to the largest delegation of women ever gathered there for our Missionary Day.

The Conference Annual meeting occurred October 5th and 6th, with Miss Barge adding to the enthusiasm of the occasion.

Rev. E. L. Williams of Grace Church, Chicago, and Miss Brown of our own Navajo Mission were the Home Missionary speakers at Lena and Epworth camp meetings.

Your Secretary attended the Summer School of Missions at Winona, made thirty Auxiliary visits, gave five addresses, attended all but one Board meeting, and conducted a large correspondence, in the four months she had the honor to serve in this capacity.

Mrs. May C. Keiser, the Treasurer of the Conference, in whose work we take great delight, says, "Finances are fine," and promises that the year's record in this regard will be a creditable one.

Mrs. Dan B. Brummitt, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ST. JOHN'S RIVER.

Our work in Florida has shown some advancement this year. One new organization, and a promise of others in the near future, gives us hope that some time we will have an Auxiliary in every church.

With but forty-six members, we have thirty-three subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions.* Our denomination is small numerically in this Conference, but our congregations are greatly augmented by the large influx of people from the north, whose winter homes are here and who practically belong to us.

We struggle against difficulties unknown to Auxiliaries in the Northern Conferences, so we grow slowly. However, we do grow, and with discontent with present attainments and with large faith for the future, we press forward. Our Conference Board is now organized, which is an advance, and we hope to add department secretaries as soon as practicable. Our people are loyal and efficient, ever ready to serve. Owing to the distance between our churches District Conventions are impossible, so we miss that source of inspiration, but our Conference Anniversary was unusually well attended. We hope to organize several bands during the coming year. Mrs. R. A. Cainine, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ST. LOUIS.

The following report, which I herewith submit, is my first, and it is with pleasure that I record advance in numbers, interest, and finances.

Mrs. C. B. Spencer, after eleven years of faithful and untiring work as Corresponding Secretary for the St. Louis Conference, resigned at the recent Annual session held in St. Louis, May 23d and 24th last. No one woman in the Conference has done more for the Woman's Home Missionary Society than has Mrs. Spencer, for when she took up this work there were but two Auxiliaries; now there is a paid-up enrollment of a thousand members. The receipts show an increase from $260 in 1901 to $4,013.38 in 1911.

Miss Carrie G. Davis, of San Francisco Chinese Home, ably assisted at our Annual meeting. Two vacancies in very important offices occurred by the removal to another Conference of our President, Mrs. M. L. Curl, and Secretary Young People, Miss Nellie Foster. These we have *loaned* to Arkansas. By their labors of love and untiring zeal they have paved the way toward success, and to all who with them have thus striven credit is due that we are now entering an era full of hope and promise.

Mrs. Spencer, with her "years of experience," is ably fitted to the trust of leader, and was unanimously elected to the office of President for the ensuing year.

We number forty organizations, with four Districts organized, and an organization in each remaining District in the Conference. Our Carthage District took her place in our ranks this year. One year ago she numbered one Auxiliary, and now embraces six.

A new Auxiliary has been formed in the Kansas City District.

The young people are alert and have embraced the opportunities given. Supplies, pledges, literature, and intelligent giving, each has had their careful consideration and aid.

Home Guards number fifty-three, and Mothers' Jewels thirty-eight members.

The Mite-box Fund has advanced from $216.86 in 1909 to $392.52 for this year.

Subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* show only twenty-six per cent of the membership take the paper. *Children's Home Missions*, 154 subscriptions.

Our Supply Secretary has ministered to many calls from needy ministers within our domain, and under her wise supervision the ignominy attached to the preacher's supply barrel has disappeared. Clothing must be in good condition. Many barrels contained liberal cash donations. Our pledges to special work this year amounted to $2.795 and have been approximately met.

St. Louis District, by special arrangement with the Board of Managers, was last year granted the privilege of affiliating with the Methodist Deaconess Association in the work in St. Louis, now known as the Methodist Home for Girls.

During the year twenty have been admitted to that Home and sixty refused. With this Home, Burge Hospital, and Fisk Training School within our territory, we have great incentive to deeper consecration, and we realize the "whitened fields" of opportunity.

Our hands have been extended in pledges to twenty-two stations under our Deaconess Boards above those mentioned.

In closing my report I would quote 1 Peter 4:11:

"If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God

giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ: to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever."

MRS. C. W. WOODS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTH KANSAS.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is still helping a little in this great work of uplifting those that are in special need. Many of our women are catching a vision of the needs and their opportunities for helping.

I am sorry I can not report any new organizations and but a small increase in membership, but the members have been faithful and raised more money than ever before.

They have this year pledged nearly five hundred dollars over any previous year. Not only pledged it, but expect to pay it and even more.

Not all the work we are doing can be counted in dollars and cents. In September Miss Nettie Bangs and Miss Officer went to Ocala, Florida; Miss Bangs as Superintendent of Emerson Home and School, and Miss Officer as grade teacher.

There were two of our girls in the Fisk National Training School, class of 1911, and both are working in the Conference.

Seven girls from South Kansas are at Fisk this year.

At the Annual Conference Mrs. John Bush of Kansas City gave the address, and it was highly spoken of by pastors and laymen.

Mrs. Hallie L. Hill spent ten days with us just prior to the Annual meeting, and she gave most excellent service. She was present at the Annual Convention, and was a great help and inspiration.

The Queen Esther Circles are becoming a factor in money-raising and in helping to solve the social problems in the churches.

Mrs. Ida Cramer, our Treasurer, who has been a Conference officer since the organization seven years ago, resigned, and in August moved to California.

We begin the year with nearly all the officers new in the work, and yet we are looking forward to what we believe will be the best year in the history of the Conference.

We acknowledge God's presence and help in the past, and trust Him for the future.

(MISS) MARY A. SMITH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Another year of blessed service for the Master has gone into history. The Conference, District, and Auxiliary officers have been true to their trust in the great responsibility that is upon them and to their slogan for the year, "Go forward."

Our districts are well officered. The National Day of Prayer has been observed, and splendid programs have been presented to large and appreciative audiences. Rallies and annual meetings have been held, with instructive addresses and reports filled with notes of encouragement. Miss Banks, our missionary, continues to tell the old, old story to the Chinese women. They love her and appreciate her sympathy and advice. We so much need a Christian Chinese worker to help Miss Banks as she visits among them. They have so little to bring genuine joy and peace into their lives.

Our Jane Couch Memorial Home for Japanese Women has been a

great blessing to them. Thirteen women and ten children have been in the Home during the year. Miss Mable Anderson, our missionary, continues her house-to-house visitation, instructing, advising, and helping in every way possible. She speaks their language, therefore can get very close to them.

Miss Mary Reed, our deaconess in charge of our work at San Pédro, is full of good works. Much is being done by this faithful worker that is bound to bring great results to those to whom she ministers and to the Kingdom of our blessed Christ. We should be able to lay foundations for an industrial school here at once.

Our Spanish work under our esteemed Bureau Secretary, Mrs. S. S. Holmes, and Miss Jennie Mathias, Superintendent, has had a very successful year. About sixty girls are being trained to high ideals of womanhood and in practical efficiency as housekeepers and home-makers.

Our Yuma Indian work under Rev. J. C. Crouch has made splendid advancement this year. Nineteen have been brought into the knowledge of sins forgiven. Mr. Crouch has the love and confidence of this people.

This is the second year for our hospital, and it has grown beyond all our hopes and expectations of success in this short time.

Our David and Margaret Home, now one year old, has been a wonderful success. Ninety-three of God's helpless little ones have here received the care and mother-love which some have never known. Miss Rice is the Superintendent of this Home and has proven herself very efficient and worthy. We plead for scholarships for this Home. Seventy dollars is the required sum.

Our infant has grown so rapidly in the eight months since its birth it is almost a full-grown child. I speak of our San Diego Mission. We very much need another worker in this important field at once. I believe we should mature plans for an Immigrant Home. We can almost hear the movements and see the expectant faces of thousands who will soon come to this port of entry. I plead with you for our San Diego Mission.

Our very capable Conference Secretary of Young People's Work has had great success this year. Seven new societies have been organized. They are full of hope and courage as they enter the new year.

There are 1,401 *Woman's Home Missions* taken, and 946 *Children's Missions;* 450 Study Books have been in use, and thirty Reading Circles organized. Four new Auxiliaries have been organized, with fifty-five members. We have raised this year $43,457, and this does not include the more than $3,000 cash value in supplies. There have been forty-three Jewel life members, seven Junior, two Queen Esther, and three Auxiliary life members.

Your Conference Secretary, since called to this office, has given her undivided time and thought to the many duties of her position. She has tried to come into personal touch with our broader field and our many laborers. She finds it a great work to lay new foundations and organize new Auxiliaries. She also finds that it is a far greater achievement to keep alive and active these interests when once organized. We seek to do both things that our work may reach higher success. She has visited sixty-nine Auxiliaries, located in every part of the Conference; attended ten district meetings, sixteen different Board meetings, taken five thank-offerings, (bringing into the treasury $100 from these), secured forty new members, twenty-five subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*, made seventy-five addresses, written 925 letters and 150 postal cards, and sent out over 4,000 leaflets. A recent letter received gives me a quotation for this moment: "What is the outlook? It is good. There is light ahead. There is help in God. There is hope in Jesus. There is power in prayer." And I add, There is a divinely generous degree of success in consecrated labor.

Mrs. John B. Green, *Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

Southern Illinois Conference reports for the first time each of the six districts organized and well officered. We have sixty-one organizations, with a total membership of 1,810. There are 397 *Woman's Home Missions* and 194 *Children's Home Missions* taken in the Conference. Our gain has been 83 Auxiliary, 153 Queen Esther, and 29 Home Guard members. The advance in subscribers is 51 to *Woman's Home Missions* and 87 to *Children's Home Missions*. Our cash and supply work does not quite come up to last year.

The Annual Conference convention was held in Vandalia, June 28th and 29th. All present were inspired by the address given by Mrs. Jacob Bernheim, who had been with us in five of the District Ministerial Conferences and one Woman's Home Missionary Society district meeting. Our own Dr. John F. Harmon, President of McKendree College, has addressed one District Ministerial Conference and the Annual Conference in his earnest, eloquent way, and the influence is being felt for our good.

The Mt. Vernon Auxiliary is continuing its industrial school with volunteer helpers, since they have no deaconess.

Miss Margaret F. Bell continues her faithful, efficient work for First Methodist Church, East St. Louis. We have rented a small cottage in East St. Louis and secured Miss Lydia Hodek, a Bohemian deaconess, to work with Rev. and Mrs. Fransee, the missionaries to the ten thousand foreigners in this immediate settlement. The women of East St. Louis have purchased a lot, and we hope, in the near future, to erect a settlement home.

Three of our good workers have gone to their reward during the past year: Mrs. B. F. Winkler, Vice-President of Alton District and Auxiliary Treasurer, Granite City; Mrs. Mary Maxey, Supply Secretary, of Mt. Vernon; and Mrs. Wm. Haseltine, of Olney.

As we undertake the work of the year—the new work—we ask your co-operation and prayers, and promise you we will do better work as God leads us on.

MRS. D. P. MOORE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTHWEST KANSAS.

In many respects the past year has been the best in our history. Financially our record is not found wanting. We have paid all that we pledged, and more. Our membership has increased, although the number of our Auxiliaries remains the same. Conventions were held in the five districts following the Buffalo meeting last fall. They were well attended and greater interest manifested than ever before.

A new Secretary of Young People's Work was elected, Miss Kirkwood not being able to take the work again. In reporting her work, Miss Kirkwood said, the leader of the Young People's Societies has one of the most important places in any Conference, for the Conference which has the best Queen Esther Circles and Bands to-day will be the one that will have the strongest Auxiliaries to-morrow. We have 24 Circles, with 644 members; Home Guards and Jewels' Bands 15, with 718 members. They raised in cash during the year $1,001.60. Miss Edna Hartman is the new Secretary.

Our Conference anniversary addresses were given by Mrs. J. W. Bush, of Kansas City, Mo., and Dr. M. C. B. Mason, to a large and appreciative audience.

The annual meeting of our Conference was held at First Church, Wichita. There was a large attendance of delegates and visitors. The

Conference Training School was adopted as a part of our work, and the first evening of the convention was given to the graduation exercises, Miss Hodges graduating as a nurse deaconess.

Rev. C. D. Hestwood gave an excellent address on the second evening; subject, "Woman's Help Means Salvation." Rev. Hestwood is pastor of Grace Church, Wichita.

The Department Secretaries by their reports showed they had been busy during the year.

One of the pleasing things of the convention was when Mrs. Kate Brooks, on behalf of the convention, presented to Mrs. H. K. Eberly, our Treasurer for the past five years, a set of teaspoons as a token of our love and appreciation for her faithful and efficient work.

"Let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

(Mrs.) Nettie Tedrick, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TENNESSEE.

The work of the Conference is growing slowly, but we feel that it is getting a permanent foothold. The women who are coming into this Society are intelligent, consecrated women, who seem to realize fully the great importance of the work in the Church and are willing to help in every way possible. Our ministers are manifesting more sympathy with us in our work, without which we can make little headway.

Our Field Secretary, Miss Bessie Garrison, has been with us several times during the year. Her coming each time brings new life and more organizations. We are always glad to have the field workers with us.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to the establishing of the Deaconess Home within the bounds of our Conference. We are indeed thankful for this, and anticipate the accomplishment of much good in our midst and throughout the bounds of our Southern Conferences. The need of settlement workers and deaconesses among us is indeed great. That this Deaconess Home is soon to be a reality brings hope for the future good of our Society and the strengthening of the work of the Master.

We have a few subscribers to the *Home Missions.* We shall continue to try to place the paper in the homes of each member of the Society.

(Mrs.) Ida B. Luckie, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TEXAS.

We are glad to report that our organization is improving along all lines. The number of strong women who are beginning to feel that they should engage in this work is increasing. We are learning more of the scope and aim of the Society, and feel proud to be a part of that great army of women helping to win America for Christ. Our work is growing. We now have seven districts organized in our Conference. The last district was organized about a year ago. The women of each district hold their regular meetings.

Many of our Churches have no Auxiliaries, the women being interested in their local Ladies' Aid Societies, and it is a hard matter to get them interested in our Woman's Home Missionary Society work. Our special work this year will be to reach the remotest part of our work and organize as many Auxiliaries as possible.

We hope to grow in the number of our Queen Esther Circles, Home Guards, and Mothers' Jewels, as we realize that to make good, strong, consecrated women in the future we must train our young people now.

We are much interested in our Conference school, King Home, and intend to help the school in a material way and do more than we have ever done before.

We praise the Lord for the establishment of a Deaconess Home and Training School for Colored Girls. We expect to support Mrs. Mason in this work, for we feel there is nothing we need more. We hope to be able to report an advance along all lines. We are praying for more consecration, that we may do more for the Master. Yours in His name.

Mrs. L. B. Williams, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TROY.

Besides having our "day" at both Riverside and Spring Grove Camp-meetings this year, we have held a fine convention in each of our five districts, all with fine programs, full of interest and instructive. We are blessed with women of our own who are both capable and willing to take an active part on these programs. At our last (twenty-eighth) Annual Conference convention we were all delighted to have our loved Mrs. D. L. Williams with us. While many of us had never seen her before, we all loved her and were delighted to meet her "face to face."

Miss Corbin has spent some time with us the past year with good results. Work in our E. W. Griffin Deaconess Home, at Albany, N. Y., is still progressing.

Our efficient Travelers' Aid—doing good work in Albany Depot—is a young lady converted from Romanism only a few years ago.

Our settlement work, connected with E. W. Griffin Home, has grown to such an extent that our old quarters would do no longer, and we have bought a new house, where our workers will have more room and also more conveniences. Here are held our boys' clubs, sewing classes, day nursery, mothers' meetings, Sunday school, etc. We are in hopes that by another year we can report that all expenses on this property are fully paid.

Mrs. M. B. Hutton, *Corresponding Secretary.*

UPPER IOWA.

We now have 2,421 members; a gain of 198 over last year. Had all dues been paid we could report many more. We have about 650 young women in Circles, 225 Home Guards, and 250 Jewels.

All has not been accomplished that we hoped for, but we are thankful we are growing. More money was sent to the General Treasurer than in any previous year.

We had both Miss Barge and Miss Hawthorne at our six district meetings, and Miss Barge at our Conference meeting. We should make a greater growth the coming year for having had them with us.

Our anniversary hour at Annual Conference was ably filled by Mrs. Hallie S. Hill.

With gratitude for the blessings of the past year we joyfully enter into the new year trusting in God our Leader.

Mrs. W. C. Hayward, *Corresponding Secretary.*

UPPER MISSISSIPPI.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Upper Mississippi Conference chronicles a splendid report. Compared with the past five years, it overshadows them all. Yet I feel that we have just made a beginning. This Society has been trying to exist for five years, but the grave hindrance that has impeded the progress of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in this Conference is the lack of knowledge and understanding about the work.

The District Superintendents, pastors, and members seem anxious to know more about the workings of this Society, and they have demonstrated their anxiety to help by standing by the Conference Corresponding Secretary's call for a united effort to raise means to help the work of this great Society. I was elected to this position last May one year ago, and attended the meeting of the General Board of Managers in annual session at Buffalo, N. Y., last fall, there to get information and inspiration to do some of the many things that I found to be done. I went from Buffalo filled with new zeal to make my work tell. The seven districts in this Conference pledged themselves to stand by me and the cause. I visited and lectured in nearly every district, held district meetings, organized several new Auxiliaries, put a number of the handbooks in the officers' hands, got a large number of subscribers to the *Woman's Home Missions*.

Miss S. M. Becker and Miss Barber were quite active in helping to stimulate the work. They visited some of the district meetings and our annual meeting. We claim a successful year in this report.

Since leaving Buffalo, N. Y., last fall we have raised $525.85 for the cause of the Woman's Home Miissionary Society; $214.50 went on the new laundry for the E. L. Rust Home. We hold receipts for money and vouchers from our National Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, for $475.85, and have $40 in hand in our Home treasury. We feel encouraged to go forward. MRS. ANNIE S. GRAY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

UTAH MISSION.

The work in Utah is quite new to me, but in camparison with last year we have made some progress. Two new Auxiliaries have been organized by the deaconesses, and they are deeply interested in the work. The old Auxiliaries are still adding new members to their list.

Mrs. Weaver's visit greatly encouraged some of the Auxiliaries which she visited, giving them a new idea of the work. The keynote seems to be to do more this year than last. I hope and trust we will.

MRS. O. W. DAILY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

VERMONT.

As we prepare our resumé of the work of the year our heart is singing, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

With all our pledges met, with more than $150 secured above what we pledged for the General Fund, with receipts over $1,000 more than ever before raised, with our Barre Mission well established, with our pretty new Deaconess Home and our five deaconesses doing faithful work—two at the Mission and three on the districts—we may well exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

These results have been possible only because of the faithfulness and

self-sacrifice of our women, than whom a more loyal company of workers can not be found, and because of the help and encouragement of some of our brothers in the ministry who have given us their hearty support and sympathy.

The work of the Society has been well represented by Miss Corlis Swartz, who spent more than six months in the Conference doing effective service and practically covering the entire territory during her itinerary; by Mrs. Margaret Delight Moors, who gave a most inspiring address at our Conference anniversary, and by Dr. E. O. Thayer, whose excellent presentation of the work at the camp-meetings brought a substantial increase to the funds in our treasury.

We are looking forward with courage and hope to greater achievements in the year to come.

Mrs. V. A. Irish. *Corresponding Secretary.*

WASHINGTON.

The Heavenly Father has blessed both work and workers, and our work has advanced over last year.

Our annual meeting, held September 22d to 24th, was an inspiring occasion. The reports of the Secretaries of the departments showed an advance along all lines.

Our local organizers reported five new Auxiliaries this year, thus meeting the decrease otherwise in membership.

District meetings are held regularly, and many heart-to-heart talks are given concerning the work.

We are delighted to state that our student at Thayer Home has again resumed her studies, her health being much improved.

The Secretary for Young People reported 14 Queen Esther Circles, with a membership of 235. We were favored to have Miss Carrie Barge address two mass-meetings for Young People. Indeed, her strong, earnest address was a great inspiration and soon won the hearts of all.

Dues this year were $400; pledges, $184.31; and supplies in garments and provisions were $448.58. Our women realize that the field of opportunity is a broad one, and have planned greater achievements the coming year. (Miss) Annie R. Johnson, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST NEBRASKA.

West Nebraska reports increased interest in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, although financially we have not made the gain for which we had hoped.

Our annual meeting was held at Lexington, Neb., in connection with the Ministerial Conference, and at this time the Louisa E. Collins Auxiliary-at-Large was organized, a beautiful and fitting tribute to the one to whom West Nebraska Conference is indebted for so much. The first Methodist Episcopal Church organization of this Conference was formed in the home of Mrs. Collins, in Kearney. She has always been a devoted and interested worker and loves her "boys," as she calls the ministers; and they in turn show appreciation for "Mother Collins." Mrs. Cotton Mather, of Ft. Collins, Colo., gave the annual address, which was inspiring and helpful to us. Mrs. B. F. Gaither, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST VIRGINIA.

Another year's history is written. It has been one of joy and some disappointments; one of growth and hopeful prophecy.

Nine new Auxiliaries and two splendid Queen Esther Circles have been organized and are starting out well. Many of the Auxiliaries have doubled their membership, others have grown, and none actually died. There are now thirty-three Auxiliaries, with a membership of 958; nineteen Queen Esther Circles, several Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels.

There has passed through the Treasurer's hands from dues, mite-boxes, and thank-offering $2,773.96; an increase over last year.

The Secretary of Supplies reports $1,742.20 in cash and clothing sent out to needy ones, making a total of $4,516.16 to Home Mission work aside from the many and various local helps given. So we feel we are growing financially. When we all get back to God's plan, that of tithing, we will do better still, but we must needs be growing mentally and spiritually. Every Methodist woman should belong to the Home Missionary Society, and if possible to the Foreign, and should take the paper to know what is doing in the field. We must be intelligent and conscientious in our giving. The Reading Course should be taken and every leaflet read.

Because of ill-health our good Mrs. Lang, the noble Secretary of Supplies, retired, and Mrs. J. E. Sisson, of Wheeling, W. Va., takes her place.

The annual meeting at Mt. Lake Park in July was a blessing to all who attended. Dr. Kynett and Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff made most helpful and inspiring addresses. Rev. Dolliver, from the frontier, added to the occasion, and the Conference Secretary was there. These annual meetings are due to Mrs. S. W. Davis, of the Pittsburgh Conference.

The Conference meeting at Sistersville, as a conference of workers, was the best yet. Mrs. Susie Aiken Winold was the star light of that occasion. Her help on the Mission Study Book was particularly good.

Mrs. C. L. Weaver spoke at Conference and did much good. Miss Nellie Snider came to us in the spring and added much to our forces with new Auxiliaries and new members.

With so many opportunities open to us; so many children pleading for a chance; so many young people thirsting for an education; with social, industrial, religious, and economical problems to solve, it behooves us to go up and possess the land.

"'T is weary watching wave by wave,
And yet the tide heaves onward;
We build like corals grave by grave,
And yet the path is sunward;
We 're beaten back in many a fray,
Yet newer strength we 'll borrow;
And where the vanguard rests to-day,
The rear will camp to-morrow."

Miss Pearl Dorsey, *Conference Secretary.*

WEST WISCONSIN.

We thank God for the privilege of another year of service. There is much to be thankful for, and many regrets that more has not been accomplished. On the whole the Woman's Home Missionary Society is growing in favor, and pastors and people realize the time has come when something must be done for the work that is at our very door.

We have had three field workers in our Conference during the year.

Miss Carrie Davis, of the San Francisco Chinese Home, was in our Conference for about three weeks. She gave us good service and created great interest in our Chinese work. The result of her visit was four new Auxiliaries and the Conference pledged $500 toward a room in the new Chinese Home in San Francisco.

Mrs. D. M. Wood, of South Bend, Ind., was in the Conference for more than a month. Wherever Mrs. Wood spoke interest was aroused in the Home work. The result of her faithful work was six Auxiliaries organized, three Queen Esther Circles, and several bands of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels started.

Mrs. H. L. Hill spoke at our Annual Conference, giving the anniversary address for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It was one of zeal and enthusiasm, and was the means of opening many pulpits to the presentation of our work. Mrs. Hill wins wherever she goes.

Our Conference pledged to take two $100 bonds toward the canceling of the national debt. We are expecting great things for the Kingdom this year in West Wisconsin Conference, for we are steadily getting a larger vision of the work and its needs, and our aim is, Every Methodist woman a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

(Miss) Carrie Hazzard, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WISCONSIN.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of Wisconsin Conference numbers thirty-four Auxiliaries and four societies of Young People's Work. We are giving support to twenty-eight channels of our National work. In supplies this year we have sent twenty-seven barrels to seventeen ministers on the frontier, industrial homes, or orphanages, including 1,102 garments and 136 books. Our most worthy Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Allen, is untiring in this work and is an inspiration to us all.

Our Treasurer gives $2,878 as total receipts; a sum far in excess of any former year. This includes a bequest Wisconsin Conference received of $480 for National work.

We have aided Polish work in Milwaukee through a conditional appropriation by the Executive Board.

Our work was represented at Annual Conference, September, 1910, by Mrs. F. E. Brush, of Long Beach, Cal., most acceptably, and at several other places in our Conference. It was also presented at Byron Camp-meeting in July, 1910, by Rev. A. J. Benjamin. Here many women not members of any local society, but strongly in sympathy with the work of our great sisterhood, accepted "Tithe Gleaners" for contributions in its support. We have gained three societies and about seventy-two members. Our pledges are paid in full.

In South Beloit a work is now located among the unchurched under the care of a returned Foreign missionary and supervision of Rev. E. D. Kohlstedt. It promises to result in a permanent and self-supporting work in the near future. The above minister requested the organization of a Woman's Home Missionary Society in his Church, though heavy financial conditions existed, and a strong Woman's Foreign Missionary Society existing. Eighteen charter members were enrolled, and in two months thirty-seven members were registered.

Our district meetings were held in May. Mrs. Martha Libby-Allen, of Des Moines, Iowa, was our esteemed visitor. Her addresses and aid at the respective places proved the climax of everything good. She organized two new societies and doubled the membership of another.

Many Auxiliaries were visited by the Corresponding Secretary. Programs were fine. Interest on the increase, as are subscriptions for both papers; and Reading Circles are more numerous.

With the acquisition of our new Secretary for Young People's Work, Mrs. W. P. Leek, Racine, Wis., our work has a cheerful outlook.

Splendid work was done by our Secretary of Temperance Work, Mrs. W. W. Nicholas, who secured prominent speakers from distant cities who greatly aroused the temperance sentiment in our midst. Rev. S. H. Anderson cordially aided the efforts.

Our mite-box work was encouraging.

We face the new year with hope and cheer for further usefulness.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WYOMING.

The Conference Society lost its President, Mrs. C. E. Mogg, early in the year by her removal to Oklahoma City, and her work has been done by the First Vice-President, Mrs. F. H. Haskins. The embarrassment caused by the redistricting of the Conference has been about overcome, and the new districts are moving along smoothly. All have held meetings during the year, and Binghamton District, which is divided into four sub-districts, has also held three sub-district meetings.

The Conference meeting for 1910 was held in Oneonta, N. Y. Mrs. N. W. Bass made a telling address on the immigration problem, and Mrs. C. E. Sturm read the report of the Buffalo meeting of the Board of Managers.

At the Conference Anniversary in Oswego, N. Y., in April, Dr. Charles E. Guthrie, of First Church, Wilkes-Barre, gave a forceful presentation of the cause of Woman's Home Missions to an appreciative audience.

The annual meeting for 1911 was held in Tabernacle Church, Binghamton, November 16th and 17th, with a large attendance of delegates. The reports showed a considerable increase in membership, all obligations met, and mite-box receipts nearly doubled. The pledges for Student Aid and Special Fund made at Wichita were quickly taken by the Auxiliaries, and a pledge of $1,000 for a bond to help cancel the indebtedness of the General Society was also made by the Conference Society. Mrs. Harry C. Perkins read the report of the Wichita meeting, Mrs. J. W. Nicholson read a paper on "Young People's Work," and there was a delightful exercise given by the young people's societies of the Binghamton Churches. The four general officers elected were: Mrs. F. H. Haskins, President; Mrs. D. L. Rhone, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Emma Lewis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. A. W. Alexander, Treasurer.

(MRS.) D. L. RHONE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

WYOMING MISSION.

In connection with the annual meeting of the Wyoming Mission Conference the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society met and organized a Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. W. M. Nelson, 108 East Eighteenth Street, Cheyenne, Wyo., was elected President.

The field is now ready for aggressive work for our Society, and we hope this year to go in and possess the land.

MRS. E. L. BUTLER, *Cor. Secretary and Treasurer.*

Organization.

(Mrs. M. E. Roberts, Field Secretary.)

Owing to circumstances in my family I was unable to do but very little last year; but the work was on my heart continually, and I improved *every* opportunity to do something for our Society, remembering it day by day in my prayers.

I traveled in a few months from Eastport, Me., to San Diego, Cal., stopping at Buffalo to attend the annual meeting and do some work in that Conference; then went on to California.

Spoke in San Diego and San Josè, and did some work in the Churches at San Francisco. While there, was very kindly entertained at that "Home of God," the San Francisco National Training School. Was greatly pleased with the work and spirit of Rev. and Mrs. Willis and their corps of helpers. Was glad to find faithful Miss McMillan there.

Number of days in the work *directly*, 52; miles traveled, 1,000; Churches visited having no Auxiliaries, 4; Churches visited having Auxiliaries, 21; Auxiliaries organized, 3; members secured, 173; members Queen Esther Circles, 8; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 18; subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, 14; attended Conference meetings, 2; attended district meetings, 1; spoke at Sunday schools and Queen Esther Circles, 4; visited our Chinese Home and School, Japanese Home, and our Immigrant Work at Angel Island; also visited our Deaconess Home at Salt Lake City. They need more workers *very much*. I hope to be more useful another year. God grant it.

(Mrs. N. W. Bass, Field Secretary.)

The work of the year just closing has been wrought in Wyoming, Cincinnati, Central Ohio, and Central New York Conferences. Seven and one-half months have been given to the work.

Permit me to record my hearty appreciation of the love and co-operation of National, Conference, and district officers, also by pastors and people in whose homes I have been most heartily welcomed, as together we have planned and worked for the extension of the Master's Kingdom.

I have often been called to go against the Midianites, even when there was no *visible* angel, but have never gone without finding *dew upon the fleece*. This has been a year of *joyful service gratefully rendered*, and I trust the coming year may be one of greater achievement, in His name.

Number of miles traveled, 4,500; have addressed 3 Conference annual meetings, 1 camp-meeting, 6 district meetings (ministerial), 6 district meetings (Woman's Home Missionary Society), 2 Epworth League conventions, 2 Sunday school conventions; have also given 210 talks in public services, parlor meetings, prayer-meetings, Epworth Leagues and Junior Leagues; have doubled the membership of several Auxiliaries; have secured 125 subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions* and 100 for *Children's Home Missions*, and have left books, maps, leaflets, and pictures with each new Auxiliary; Churches visited having no Auxiliaries, 24; Auxiliaries organized, 22; Queen Esther Circles organized, 5; Home Guards organized, 2; Auxiliary members secured, 836; Queen Esther members secured, 110; Home Guard members secured, 60; total members, 1,012.

(Miss Nellie H. Snider, Field Secretary.)

This report includes the time from September, 1910, to October, 1911. The work of the year was done in eight Conferences—Ohio, Central Illinois, New England Southern, West Virginia, North Dakota, Dakota, Black Hills Mission, and Wyoming Mission. The Black Hills Mission was organized just at the close of last year. I was glad to go back and find the work in good condition. In August I visited the Wyoming Mission and organized that. The spring and summer months were spent in Dakota Conference, where we have secured some fine Auxiliaries, with abundant promise of success and have a fine Conference organization to report at this time.

The year has been full of care and toil, but all the way has been cheered by the courtesy and kindness of numberless friends and by the abiding presence of the "Master of the Vineyard."

The statistical report is as follows: Miles traveled, 19,448; Auxiliaries visited, 62; Churches with no Auxiliaries, 75; addresses, 236. I attended 6 Annual Conferences, and organized 2 Mission Conferences and one Conference. New Auxiliaries, 26; new Circles, 4; Auxiliary members, 388; Circle members, 39; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions,* 83. The service has been varied, including thank offerings, League conventions, ministerial meetings, mission study classes, Ladies' Aid and W. F. M. S. meetings, Conference and District conventions, addresses at college chapels, girls' clubs, Junior Leagues, Epworth Leagues, and orphanages. I have been glad to aid in some measure to hasten the coming of the Kingdom.

(Mrs. H. L. Hill, Field Secretary.)

Although the whole twelve months of the past year have been spent in active work and travel for our Society, yet I have done very little organizing of new Auxiliaries. My work has been largely on lines differing from the regular efforts to organize. All kinds of work fall to the lot of a Field Secretary, and we can not say that this one or yet that one is more fruitful in results for our Society.

In carrying out the plans mapped for me I have been within the bounds of fourteen Conferences and have seen the evidences of both the strength and the weakness of our work in these Conferences. The summer was spent in attendance at the Student Conferences of the Young Women's Christian Association, held at Silver Bay, N. J., and at Granville, Ohio; at the Interdenominational Conference for the East, held at Northfield, Mass.; and at the Summer School for Home Missions, held at Chautauqua, N. Y. At all of these gatherings there were unnumbered opportunities for spreading a knowledge of our work and for arousing interest. Thousands of pages of our literature were distributed.

It has been one more year of strenuous work, but many blessed experiences have sweetened the days of toil, and the weariness of travel has been forgotten in the joy of service for our beloved Society.

Statistical report as follows: Miles traveled, 21,966; have addressed 7 Annual Conferences, 5 Conference conventions, 6 District conventions, 9 Young People's rallies, 33 Epworth Leagues, 1 Epworth League institute, 31 Sunday schools, 3 preachers' meetings, 3 Foreign Missionary meetings, 6 Interdenominational meetings, 3 city Young Women's Christian Associations, 1 reform school for boys, 2 women's clubs; 141 services in Churches; secured 185 subscribers to *Home Missions,* 122 for *Children's Home Missions,* and 810 new Auxiliary members.

(Miss Josephine Corbin, Field Secretary.)

My work during the past year has been very much interfered with on account of the condition of my health; have worked less than eight months; have traveled 8,550 miles; attended 12 District meetings, 1 Conference annual, 6 Conference anniversaries, 11 camp meetings; have organized very few new Societies; most of my time has been spent with the old organizations. Two months were spent in the interest of the Deaconess Home in Columbus, Ohio. Have secured 627 new members, and my collections have amounted to $1,053.38. With my usual health restored, I hope during the coming year to make up for lost time during the past year.

(Miss Bessie M. Garrison, Field Secretary.)

During the past year my labors have been in the Tennessee, Atlanta, Mississippi, Upper Mississippi, Florida, Central Missouri, and Lincoln Conferences. I have visited four Conference annual Woman's Home Missionary meetings; 2 Annual Conferences, 2 educational and missionary conventions, 2 District Conferences, and 3 of the Homes of the Society this year in the interest of the work. I have traveled 9,040 miles; have organized 26 new Auxiliaries, 8 Queen Esther Circles, 5 Jewel bands, and 5 Home Guard bands; secured 85 subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions;* 535 new Auxiliary members and 100 Queen Esther Circle members were secured; 175 talks have been made, besides addresses made in public schools, Young People's meetings, and in Sunday schools in interest of the Society.

One of the greatest needs that I find among the colored Conferences is closer supervision of the work by national Field Secretaries, who should visit them constantly and keep the work moving. If capable women could be sent to these Conferences there would be much more rapid development in the adult as well as the young people's departments. The treasury would be doubly repaid for the expenditure by efficient work being done. The workers are there, but they must be inspired and educated for the work. I can never fill all the calls that come to me. One secretary can not properly supervise these twenty Conferences. May God open the way for more careful supervision.

(Mrs. Anna D. Elder, Reserve Field Secretary.)

My work during the year was in Georgia, Cincinnati, Ohio, Illinois, North Indiana, and the Alabama Conferences. The anniversaries of both the Alabama Conferences were held during the early part of the year. An organization resulted from the work in Georgia Conference. A good collection and seed sown were the results from the Alabama Conference. During the months of May and June I attended eighteen District conventions in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, making public addresses and giving short talks in each case. The itinerary was so wisely planned by the Conference Secretaries that little time was lost, and expenses reduced to the minimum. My work was not to gather either money or members, except in a few cases, for that was done in the regular ways through the Auxiliaries, hence results can not be tabulated. I hope some enthusiasm was created and every part of the work strengthened. The few days spent at Winona Lake in the mission school were restful and inspiring. There were marked evidences of growth in all the conventions. Reports showed loving, faithful work on the part of officers and delegates. Heroism was shown in almost every convention by taking advanced pledges. The increased obligation to meet pledges is most encouraging. Truly a

wave of unselfish endeavor is upon our women, and they are dreaming dreams, and seeing visions which are to be fulfilled in the coming days and months. Coming from the intense heat which was so oppressive in the Ohio Valley, I found the mountain air cool and refreshing, vegetation luxuriant, crops good. Some visits were made to points in Alabama Conference, and while Auxiliaries were not organized, seed was sown, literature scattered, and we still hope for a gathering some day.

(Mrs. Cotton Mather, Reserve Field Secretary.)

Following the Annual meeting at Buffalo, a trip was made into Kentucky Conference, most of the time being spent in the eastern part of the State. Of the interest aroused, practical results achieved, and future possibilities, other reports will tell.

Work has also been done in the States of Minnesota, Kansas, and Nebraska, with a few days in Ohio, Tennessee, and Colorado.

Little opportunity has been given for securing new organizations, most of the time being spent in visiting Auxiliaries and exhorting to "patient continuance in well-doing," instead of calling sinners to repentance in new fields.

Have visited a number of Auxiliaries afflicted with the "sleeping sickness," many being in a comatose condition. Liberal doses of cure-for-ignorance powders in the shape of the Study-book, our papers, and abundance of leaflets has been the prescription given to save from inevitable dissolution. Have presented the work at three preachers' Annual Conferences, at four Conference and five district W. H. M. S. conventions, at W. C. T. U. meetings, at Ladies' Aid Societies, Epworth Leagues, Sunday schools, at the Y. W. C. A., at chapel exercises at universities, colleges, and high schools, and at one "Kensington." Have been, in season and out of season, "swift to hear, prompt to obey, diligent to serve," wherever opportunity has offered. In several instances good work has been done in converting the pastors to the cause. The pastor and the pastor's wife "hold the key to the situation" every time. Given an interested pastor and wife, result an organization.

Have traveled 9,000 miles in passenger and freight cars, by trolley, motor car, auto stage, stage-coach, buggy, road-wagon, and on foot, through sand storm, wind, snow, rain, "winter's cold and summer's heat," at all hours of the day and night.

Visited the Deaconess Homes in Cleveland, Duluth, St. Paul, Sioux City, Denver, and Wichita, everywhere finding good work being done. We desire to express appreciation for the Christian courtesies extended by all with whom we have come in contact. We take up the work for the new year hoping in the name of the Master and in the strength of the Master to do greater things than ever before.

(Mrs. Daniel Onstott, Reserve Field Secretary.)

The past year has been one of victory all along the line. After the Annual meeting at Buffalo, three weeks were spent in Indiana giving thank-offering addresses in the three Indiana Conferences. I organized a Queen Esther Circle at Columbus, Ind., and secured a number of new members in all departments. Leaving Kansas in April for Kentucky, my work has been along new lines entirely. I have secured 40 new members and organized an Auxiliary of 16 members, one-half of them men, some not even Methodists but interested through the interdenominational study-book, "Conservation of National Ideals."

In September I gave the Conference address at Newport, the address

at the Annual meeting at Ludlow, and secured two Junior life members. As calls had come from Harlan, Ky., in the southeastern part of the State, and Olive Hill in the northeastern part of the State, to establish industrial schools for the mountain people, a trip was made to see what could be done to help in establishing work in these most needy fields, as schools are only provided a few months in the year. As Kentucky is the State that gave to the nation Abraham Lincoln, the Emancipator, so the W. H. M. S. by taking the work in Harlan and Olive Hill will break the bonds of ignorance and superstition that bind these people of the mountains. Cash and pledges to the amount of $10,000 have been given to establish these schools, to be a part of the great work carried on by the national Society. Kindergarten teachers have been secured to begin the work in November, and it is expected to open a day school at each place by January. At the convention at Wichita these two schools were adopted by the Society, and Kentucky is now on the map of the W. H. M. S.

An Auxiliary of twenty members was organized at Valley Center, Kan., and the pastor's babe, two days old, was made a Junior life member.

(Mrs. C. L. Weaver, Reserve Field Secretary.)

I have attended seven Annual Conferences in the interest of the work, and have been present in four Annual Conference conventions and ten District conventions, and have labored in fifteen Conferences. I have organized two Conferences and two Districts; attended many Auxiliary meetings, four ministerial district conventions, several preachers' meetings, many thank offering services, and a number of special meetings, public services, Sunday school prayer meetings, Epworth Leagues, Ladies' Aid Societies; have traveled more than 1,800 miles in the interest of the work, giving nine months' time; have organized twenty-two Auxiliaries, with 884 members; ten Queen Esther Circles, with 110 members; two Home Guard Bands, with 80 members. I have secured 34 Jewel life members and one Home Guard life member, making a total of 1,069 new members; have secured 93 subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions,* and 10 to *Children's Home Missions.*

When I sit down to the task of compiling this report I resolve to keep it within reasonable bounds, omitting the multitude of interesting incidents that crowd into the experiences of the field worker. I feel, however, that I must make special mention of the hearty appreciation of our work by the Swedish and German Conferences on the Pacific Coast. In the Columbia River Conference I was in a Methodist parsonage in a new town, where the minister, his good wife, and four children were living. This good man had taken heavy paper and with colored crayon had made large posters, putting them through the town in conspicuous places, announcing my coming. Needless to say, there was a good attendance at the evening meeting in the church. This man of God had ten preaching points, traveling about 400 miles to reach all of them, and necessarily was obliged to keep two horses for this purpose. As I sat at the dinner table in this parsonage home I talked about his work, hearing much of the hardships of a "frontier preacher." I asked how he had ever kept at his post of duty. His answer was: "Only for the dear little woman (pointing to his wife) and the Woman's Home Missionary Society could I ever have continued my work." This man, with six in family, and a team of horses, had not received $400 any one of the three years he had served at this place. This is only one of the many instances.

As I look over the field and consider the problems, I wonder how we

are to save America. I go to many places where the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension have helped in building the churches and are paying from $50 to $300 on the minister's salary. I find the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society flourishing, but we are denied the privilege of organizing the Woman's Home Missionary Society. At one place where I visited the minister received $300 from the Board of Home Missions on his salary, and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society sent nearly $500 to the foreign field. I secured about twenty members, but could not organize a Society for fear of weakening the Foreign Society. Oh, that God would give some of His children a broader vision of the harvest field!

With the help of our District Superintendents and ministers we have accomplished some good results for the Master.

(Mrs. D. M. Wood, Reserve Field Secretary.)

I have given five and one-half months to the work; traveled 7,000 miles, riding in all kinds of conveyances from Pullman cars to a lumber wagon, finding lovely people ready to respond as co-workers in our Woman's Home Mission work. I gave 100 addresses; attended six district and two Conference Woman's Home Mission conventions, two Ministerial District and one Conference meeting, and three Epworth League Conventions; secured pledges from twenty-five Chapters for our Building Fund, and as many who will take our text-book in their study course.

I attended one camp meeting; conducted a mission study class; I secured 361 Auxiliary members and 300 Queen Esthers; 400 Home Guards, 450 Mother's Jewels, 55 subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* and 300 to *Children's Home Missions;* 240 Reading Circle members; I distributed 250 mite-boxes and 2,000 leaflets.

Miss Sarah Morrison, of Oklahoma Conference, gives $50 per year for Student Aid in Rebecca McClesky Home to educate some girl who will go into a mill village as missionary, her $50 to continue toward her support.

I secured a new organ for one of our schools.

The year has been full of blessings and promises for the future.

(Mrs. M. E. Mason, Reserve Field Secretary.)

We return thanks to the Almighty God for the work accomplished during the past year. We have watched earnestly and prayerfully the work of our Society in quite a few of our Conferences, visiting occasionally an annual or district meeting. The work of the Auxiliaries of the Churches around and about us is most encouraging. To double their membership this year has been their main work, and they have done well. We can truly say that we have model Auxiliaries in our midst.

While attending the Missionary and Educational Convention in Atlanta, Ga., quite a successful meeting was held with a number of the good women of the Atlanta Conference. Much interest was manifested in Miss Mitchell's special plea for Thayer Home, and $1,000 was pledged for this cause.

A few subscriptions were gotten for the *Woman's Home Missions* and the *Children's Home Missions.*

May the Lord bless the work of the past year and give us new inspiration and stronger zeal to do larger work in the coming year.

REPORT OF FIELD SECRETARY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

The year just closed is my tenth in field service. During that time I have traveled over 150,000 miles, or a distance equal to six times around the globe, and have spoken nearly 3,000 times in behalf of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The work of the past year was in nine Conferences, with occasional meetings in nine other Conferences. I have traveled 19,513 miles, and spoken 415 times. During six months of the year Miss Alice Hawthorne traveled with me as assistant. She has no superior in work with girls and children, and her service was invaluable. Everywhere she aroused enthusiasm and abiding interest. Our only regret is that she can not continue in field work, but we are fortunate in having her services as Assistant Secretary of Children's Work. Miss Hawthorne spoke 230 times.

Together we organized 13 Auxiliaries, 36 Circles, 32 Home Guards, and 18 Jewel Bands, and secured 565 Auxiliary members, 721 Queen Esthers, 511 Home Guards, 227 Jewels, 5 Jewel life members, with 103 subscribers to *Woman's* and 484 to *Children's Home Missions.*

I met and consulted with fifty Conference and District Secretaries of Young People's Work. June 20th to September 5th was spent in the summer work. I taught study classes at the Y. W. C. A. Student Conferences at Cascade, Colo., and Lake Geneva, Wis., and Miss Hawthorne taught at the Northwest Conference at Breakers, Wash. I also taught a class at Lake Geneva City Y. W. C. A. Conference, and at Illinois State Epworth League Institute; spoke at Des Plaines camp meeting and at the Ocean Grove Anniversary meetings; gave seven lectures on the Home text-book at the Omaha Summer School of Missions; assisted in the School of Methods and had charge of the Young Women's Conferences at the same school. At the summer school at Boulder, Colo., I had three training classes and had charge of the Young Women's luncheon Conference.

During the year I visited three of our training schools, three orphanages, the Anthracite Mission, Marcy Home, six deaconess Homes, and Ellis Island. I spoke at five Conference anniversaries, two lay Conferences, nine Conference meetings, twenty-five district meetings, and two Epworth League conventions. Held twenty-eight Young People's rallies, attended by members from 178 Circles. Together we spoke at 34 Epworth Leagues, 50 Sunday schools, 73 Sunday services, 32 Auxiliary, 29 Circle, 8 Home Guard, 12 Young Women's, 13 sub-district meetings, and 3 Day of Prayer meetings.

There have been many encouraging things and many things that need to be emphasized. The rallies or group meetings of Young People's Societies are most helpful. One result is seen in unity of purpose and action; another is the stimulating effect of each knowing the achievements of the other. Our young people are studying more than ever before; they have better programs and know the work better, as the Young People's Exhibit will indicate.

There are three things that should be emphasized:

1. The need of *prayer*—intelligent, definite, believing prayer—for our officers, girls in our homes and schools, our missionaries, and for an increased interest in this department. To this end let us see that each girl has a copy of the prayer-card. "If you had prayed more you need not have worked so hard," is applicable here. We come to love what we pray for, and the *duty* of giving and serving becomes a joy and not a burden when there is love back of it.

2. The need of *systematic* payment of dues and pledges, monthly or quarterly. Many Circles are raising their pledges by monthly subscriptions instead of depending upon entertainments and other uncertain means, and this should be encouraged.

3. The women need to give more careful attention to the selection and cultivation of Conference and District Young People's Secretaries and leaders of local Societies. Frequent changes and lack of instruction regarding the duties and privileges of her office, choosing this important officer after all other offices have been filled, retaining an incompetent or indifferent secretary because you do not wish to offend her or her friends, or because she appears to make a good showing on report day, when you know the work is not progressing as it should—all of these things militate against the growth of the work among the young people.

Since this is the "department that feeds all the rest," it should be the especial care of every Auxiliary to see that the young people are mothered and trained and saved for service in the Church.

May God lay this heavily upon the hearts of all our dear women during the coming year. (Miss) Carrie Barge.

REPORT OF COLLEGE SECRETARY.

The plan of co-operation between the National Board Y. W. C. A. and the various Missionary Boards provides for one representative of each denomination at each of the summer Conferences of students. In accordance with this plan the following representatives of our Society were appointed: Mrs. E. L. Miller, of Southern California, to Capitola Conference; Mrs. F. L. Davis, of Puget Sound, to The Breakers; Mrs. E. Kellogg, of Des Moines, to Cascade; and Mrs. H. L. Hill to Silver Bay and Granville; and I represented the Society at Lake Geneva. All of these were supplied with suitable literature and college cards for signatures of those desiring to enter into correspondence with the Society with a view to some form of home mission service in her own home Church or as a worker when out of college. Some also had an exhibit of pictures, books, maps, pennants, etc., which gave larger opportunity for personal work. These six women conferred personally with over 500 Methodist girls from the leading colleges of the country. We have filed names and addresses of these, and intend to carry on a "follow-up campaign."

These opportunities for personal work came through the "social tea," the "acquaintance party," the "Methodist roast," and the "at homes" for which personal invitations were issued to Methodist girls.

Reports from these women were most interesting. One says, "I consider those ten days the greatest opportunity of my life for doing personal work with girls." Another, "The emphasis was placed on the college girl's responsibility for home missionary effort in her own home Church, and this means leaders and officers as well as new organizations." Another: "Met many Queen Esther girls, and letters from Circles since their return tell of added interest and membership. Have added many new members to the Circles in our Conference as result of the work at the Y. W. C. A. Conference." Another, "Could the Boards realize the great opportunity among our strong Christian college girls, I am sure they would never fail to send representatives well posted as to the needs and provided with suitable material concerning our work and definite plans for the at home hours with the girls."

I led Home Mission Study classes at Lake Geneva and Cascade, Colo.,

student Conferences, and Miss Hawthorne led a class at The Breakers. We used "The Upward Path" and "Conservation." One hundred and fifty different girls were enrolled in these classes. At least sixty college associations will use these books in classes as a result. In addition to this summer work I have visited fifteen colleges, one theological school, and two training schools, and addressed twenty-five meetings of college students, and assisted in organizing mission study classes.

Organizations in colleges are not feasible. But it is very necessary that these young women who are to be the leaders in our Churches shall know of our work and its needs and be ready to render intelligent and consecrated service. This can best be accomplished through proper representation at summer Conferences, where the leading young women of the colleges are to be found and through the promotion of the study of Home Missions in our colleges, and by enlisting them as members and officers in the local Society of the Church when they return from college.

(Miss) Carrie Barge.

Department of Literature.

"WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

That *Woman's Home Missions* in this, its twenty-eighth year of existence is permitted to speak to a larger audience than ever before is cause for gratitude. Our vigilant publisher can tell you of the increase during the year, and she can tell you also that with each year many subscriptions lapse. This is true of all periodicals. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," said an eminent statesman in the early days of our Republic. It is also the price of a growing subscription list to a periodical of any description, and how much more so of a missionary publication?

During the past year *Woman's Home Missions* has not departed from the educational policy inaugurated by its long-time gifted editor, Mrs. H. C. McCabe. The Silver Trumpet still calls with melodious and persistent voice for recognition of the tithe. When all our members practice this Scriptural method of carrying on the Lord's business, how greatly may we extend our borders! The Day of Prayer and the Thank-offering continue to have recognition and encouragement in our columns, while the young people's work, the notes and suggestions for concert study, our leaflet literature, and the work of our beloved deaconesses are all faithfully presented and studied. No woman who reads the paper need longer lament that she "really knows very little about the work of the Society." The paper not only furnishes much information, but points steadily to other and valuable sources of information, although quite unable to furnish the *desire* to be informed.

A suggestion recently came to the editor from a foreign missionary, born of her own desire to keep in touch with the work for our needy and depressed people. Herself a member of a Home Missionary Auxiliary and a lover of our paper, she said she felt assured that her co-laborers in foreign lands would also rejoice to be kept in touch with the home work. Any subscription sent to our publisher for a worker in distant lands may be acknowledged in the paper. It should be noted that the added postage will bring the price of the paper for one year up to forty-seven cents. Two such subscriptions have already been sent out—one to China and one to South America.

Once more the editor gives hearty appreciation and thanks to all who labor with her to make our paper a mirror of the need, the opportunity and the blessing of Home Missionary work. This includes all subscribers, contributors, and any who by a kindly word of encouragement, suggestion, or advice have brought needed help and stimulus. Let us labor together for that great and glad day—

"When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea."

(Miss) Martha Van Marter.

"CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

It is pleasant to know that a good advance has been made in the circulation of *Children's Home Missions* during the past year. The publisher will give the figures, and I bespeak for her your close attention.

The community that neglects its children is on the road to demoralization and decay. So is the Church, and so is the missionary society. "These little ones that believe in Me," in the faithful and tender characterization of our Lord, have a just claim upon us to be guided into the lighted paths that lead to loving thought and endeavor for others. *Children's Home Missions* was established as a help and stimulus in this direction, and for sixteen years it has continuously sought to measure up to its high calling.

That our little paper needs a wider constituency both among children and adults is apparent. The increase of interest among the adults means always increased interest among the children. An awakening of responsibility on the part of official workers throughout the Society could not fail to largely increase not only the number but the value of our children's organizations. The Conference President who ignores the work for children is failing in an important degree. It is true that she can not give a large measure of her time or thought to this work, but she can encourage the Young People's Secretaries and inspire them with her own sense of its importance. In order to do this, however, she must herself gain a true sense of the value of this work.

What is true of the Conference Presidents and her associates is true of district officers, and in a still more intimate sense it is true of Auxiliary officers. These are given a beautiful opportunity to nourish and strengthen the organizations for the little ones at first hand.

Once more we renew the plea that every Auxiliary make itself responsible for a club of ten copies of our little paper for the coming year. We suggest, also, that securing such clubs for Sunday school classes, missionary societies, etc., should be made a feature at district and Conference meetings. This is seed-sowing that is sure to bring forth a harvest.

The editor heartily thanks all who have by pen and voice and encouragement helped to make the little paper a medium of Home Missionary instruction to our children. She asks again that workers in Jewel Bands, Home Guard companies, and mission schools share with us their good things—plans that have been worked, incidents of work, jingles that catch the ear—whatever may help to brighten the pages of their own little paper.

(Miss) Martha Van Marter, *Editor.*

PUBLISHER "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

The goal set before us is 50,000 subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions.* A step toward it, if only a short one, for the past year, shows that the current continues in the right direction. To secure 50,000 subscribers is not at all an impossible task. It could and should be reached in a few years.

Why not be more zealous in securing more subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions,* and give this instrument of service, whose strength has been tested over and over again, a larger chance?

Something like one-third of our membership take *Woman's Home Missions.* Do you say this is a per cent far in advance of most organizations? Admitting this, should we be content until the remaining two-thirds have at least been invited to subscribe? And even more important is it

to reach those Methodist women who have not sufficient interest, because of lack of information, to join the Society.

May we have a larger vision of the possibilities of *Woman's Home Missions,* and as officers and workers resolve to take more interest in its circulation the coming year. In this very promising way we may help to solve many of the problems for the advancement of all Home Missionary interests.

Report for year ending July 31, 1911.

RECEIPTS.

Balance August 1, 1910		$625 05
Subscriptions	$12,463 58	
Advertisements	341 83	
		12,805 41
		$13,430 46

EXPENDITURES.

Printing and mailing	$8,534 79	
Clerical help and other office expenses	749 35	
Railroad fare, Editor and Publisher, to Annual Meeting	36 15	
		$9,320 29
Treasurer Woman's Home Missionary Society		3,000 00
Balance July 31, 1911		1,110 17
		$13,430 46
Number subscriptions July, 1910		36,008
Number subscriptions July, 1911		37,170

(MISS) MARY BELLE EVANS.

PUBLISHER "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

Report for year ending July 31, 1911.

RECEIPTS.

Balance August 1, 1910	$59 89	
Subscriptions	2,164 84	
Booklet	13 98	
		$2,238 71

EXPENDITURES.

Printing and mailing	$1,963 78	
Clerical help and other office expenses	190 85	
Cabinet	77 36	
		$2,231 99
Balance on hand July 31, 1911		6 72
		$2,238 71
Number subscriptions July, 1910		19,252
Number subscriptions July, 1911		22,837

The advance, 3,583 subscriptions, includes free copies given this year for clubs of ten. (MISS) MARY BELLE EVANS.

GENERAL PUBLICATIONS.

The year has been one of never-ceasing activity. In the Central Office, at least, we have passed the time when there is a "dull season," so far as work is concerned. While orders decrease and receipts fall off, of course, during the summer months, every moment is required in preparation for the rush of the fall and winter. Especially is this true of the editorial work, as business details and correspondence press so heavily the last of the year.

In receipts we report nearly $1,000 more than last year.

In total leaflet publications we have made a gain of almost 24 per cent.

Of "Advance in the Antilles" we have sent out nearly 2,000 more than of last year's text-book.

As compared with 1909-10 we required nearly 10,000 more calendars to fill our orders, and exactly 1,000 more badges are reported sold.

There should be a goodly return from mite-boxes, for 99,368 have been sent out, as against 72,160 last year. Some other items have fallen below last year's record, but the list as a whole is very encouraging.

With this gain, care in the selection of printers and economies in various lines have made the total running expenses for 1910-11 not greatly to exceed those of last year.

The Conquest Series of text-books for the Juniors now covers six of our principal fields—Alaskan, Negro, and Mountaineer work, Oriental, Spanish, and Indian. For these, as for the adult Study Course, regular Lesson Helps have been provided.

The subscription list of the Study Course for Auxiliaries and Circles has made steady gain. We are now mailing the text-book and monthly Lesson Helps to over 1,800 regular subscribers; and by the same token our members are becoming more intelligent missionary workers.

In connection with the Council of Women for Home Missions I have been called upon to continue the work of preparation for the press and proof-reading of the text-book manuscripts, as well as of editorial scrutiny of the subject matter for these. Several days were spent in this work on the text-book for the coming year, "Conservation of National Ideals." This is only fair in view of the fact that up to date our Society uses more of these books than the Woman's Home Missionary organizations of all the other denominations taken together. We may perhaps feel a pardonable pride in this fact—at least we may rejoice in the figures that show 7,057 of the text-book for 1911.

In the interest of the work permit me to call your special attention to some plans and helps for the future.

We have never had a better text-book than "Conservation of National Ideals," and the advance sales indicate a large demand for it. It gives sane and helpful treatment of topics vitally connected with our work.

I am betraying no secret in announcing that the topic of our next text-book—for 1913—will be Mormonism. The call for this has been persistent, and we hope for great help in the struggle with the giant octopus as the result of the information that will thus be widespread.

For the children we have choice of the Conquest Series, or the charming "Best Things in America," a "juniorizing" of the topics presented in the senior book.

For the younger Queen Esthers, for whom the adult text-book might be too strong meat, "Queen Esther Round-Robin" has been provided. This will speak for itself and for the work, if you will but give it a chance.

Our calendars for 1912 combine the good features of the past two years, giving not only space for program data, but pictures as well.

For leaders of children's societies we have a compilation of all sorts of bright suggestions under the title, "Good Times for Boys and Girls."

I call special attention to the Manual of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, a serious effort to prepare that which will answer all the questions that may be asked concerning the general plan and purport of our work. While it is hardly to be expected that the entire field has been covered, blank spaces here and there in the booklet make it possible for each worker to add notes that will greatly increase the value of her individual copy.

We have tried to carry out the principles of true "scientific management" in our business, to emulate the mercantile methods of the day by "follow-up" letters, to study our market as well as our output. Personal letters have been sent to Conference Secretaries of Literature, and a new leaflet, "The Rescued Diary," gives minute suggestions for their work in each month of the year.

We have good reason to believe that our literature is handled more wisely in Auxiliaries and in public meetings than ever before, and we have every encouragement to move forward, remembering that "not failure but low aim is crime."

Financial Report.

(From the Five Offices.)

Balance on hand July 1, 1910	$50 48	
Receipts of the year (including $435.84 from General Treasurer for Mite-boxes)	8,315 15	
Total		$8,374 63
Disbursements—		
Postage and Express	$1,666 51	
Office supplies	432 47	
Miscellaneous	171 66	
Text-books, badges, postal cards, etc	2,898 77	
		5,169 41
Balance		$3,205 22
Received by Business Manager from Offices:		
New York	$1,179 09	
Boston	265 00	
Chicago	1,116 15	
Cincinnati	239 90	
San Francisco	270 00	
	$3,070 14	
Received by Gen'l Treasurer from Cincinnati Office	61 08	
		$3,131 22
Balance on hand in Offices		$74 00

Report of Business Manager.

Received from—		
Offices	$3,070 14	
Miscellaneous	2 07	
On hand July 1, 1910	234 69	
From General Treasurer for Mite-boxes	435 84	
		$3,742 74

Disbursements—		
Printing	$2,824 13	
Annual Meeting and Daily	296 64	
Received from General Treasurer	435 84	
		$3,556 61
Balance on hand July 1, 1911		$186 13

ALICE M. GUERNSEY, *Editor and Business Manager.*

September 30, 1911.
Examined and found correct.
EDWARD L. KENT, (*Auditor.*)

READING CIRCLES AND HOME MISSION STUDY CLASSES.

The work of the Reading Circle Bureau advances slowly. The hoped for 10,000 readers are not yet attained. It is not possible to give the exact number of readers, as fully one-third of the Secretaries have failed to fill out and return the blanks sent them in June. Some of the Secretaries write of growing interest among their women in this department. Detroit Conference has made the largest per cent of gain, reporting 1,059 readers. Central Pennsylvania requests eighty diplomas. This Conference promises a beautiful banner to the district reporting the largest number of readers and hopes it will be an incentive to more reading. Several report having placed the study-books and our papers in their public and Sunday school libraries, and state they are frequently used. Garden City, Kan., has a plan worthy of commendation and adoption. Leaflets about our work are sent out with the supplies to the members of the Home Department of the Sunday school, thus disseminating information about our work. Go thou and do likewise, gentle reader.

Dear Conference Secretaries and Corresponding Secretaries, will you not see that a *dependable* woman is chosen for this important position, as so much depends upon her loyalty and devotion to the task? Do not put a woman here because of her wealth, social standing, or because she "will expect an office," but choose her as if in business life because she can "make good on the job." We need to learn "scientific management" in our work for God and humanity. The demand of the day is for competent specialists, highly trained workers, to obtain the best results with the least outlay. We need to join the "progressives" if we are to achieve the end for which the Society was organized.

That great-hearted woman, Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, said, "It is people that count; you want to put yourself into people—they touch other people, then others still, and so you go on working forever." It is *women* that count. Think of this, get the vision, catch God's thought, be a live wire in intelligent communication with God's batteries. The Holy Spirit is the source of power. Consecration and service are born of intelligence and prayer. Have a reason for the faith that is in you. *Read.* STUDY. KNOW. Put thought and prayer in your work.

We are to add mission study classes to this Bureau, and hope for greater interest and efficiency. The *individual* reader is still greatly to be desired. *Read* and REPORT. You can not be counted unless you report.

George Eliot says, "It does not rain roses; when we want more roses we must plant more bushes." Interested women do not drop as

the gentle dew from heaven; if we want interested women, we must plant missionary information, cultivate with missionary intelligence. The uninterested woman, like the poor, we have with us alway. "Blessed are those who help us to see."

Too many of us are looking for the "tan shoes" when we should be working for the spiritual and eternal. A new leaflet list will soon be ready. New up-to-date books on temperance, systematic beneficence, and sociology will be included. If you have studied your "By-laws" carefully, you will know that "Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts."

If every Conference will take care of its own "frontier" and provide a traveling library (of some of the books in the Reading Circle Course) for the purpose of reaching local pastors and Auxiliaries, great good may be accomplished.

We need the co-operation of every woman in the Church. Go thou and present the subject to them.

As we go forth for the work of another year, may the supreme desire of each heart, the ideal of each life be that expressed by the poet who wrote:

"May every soul that touches mine,
Be it the slightest contact, get therefrom some good:
Some little grace, one kindly thought,
One aspiration yet unfelt, one bit of courage for the darkening sky,
One gleam of faith to brave the thickening ills of life,
One glimpse of brighter skies beyond the gathering mists,
To make this life worth while, and heaven a surer heritage!"

MRS. COTTON MATHER, *Secretary.*

Reports of Committees.

THANK-OFFERING.

Letters were sent out last July to ninety-eight Conference Treasurers asking them to report the amount of Thank-offering moneys received from the various Conferences and the funds to which applied. Seventy responses were received. Among the remaining twenty-eight are some of the large and important Conferences.

Several Treasurers were unable to report definitely, not having received moneys designated as Thank-offering, although certain that the Thank-offering had been observed to a greater or less degree in the Conferences. A large number reported moneys designated as Thank-offering but applied on pledges, city and deaconess work, and Special Fund. The total amount reported was $12,000, of which $2,672 was sent to the General Fund and $4,316 was applied to missionary salaries, making a total of nearly $7,000 which went directly to the relief of the general treasury. A much larger amount could be reported had all Treasurers responded to the request of the Committee.

The Committee recommends:

1. That the Thank-offering be observed so far as possible in the month of November.

2. That the offering be taken when practicable at a public service, preceded by an address on Home Missions, and that Thank-offering envelopes and literature be sent a few days previous to *all* the women of the Church.

3. That Conference officers urge Auxiliaries to more and more appropriate Thank-offering moneys to missionary salaries, when not sent directly to the General Fund.

4. That Conference officers, in instructions to Auxiliaries, urge the reporting of moneys raised as Thank-offering to Conference Treasurers, together with the objects to which applied.

(Miss) Martha Van Marter, *Chairman.*

MITE-BOX.

In presenting the report of the Mite-Box Department, we in no way claim it to be an accurate or a complete report. Our District Mite-Box Secretaries have found it most difficult to obtain accurate reports from the Auxiliary Mite-Box Secretaries, they deeming the work finished when the money is sent to the Treasurer. We urge you to impress upon your Auxiliary Secretaries to be systematic and accurate in making their reports for the sake of the little boxes. We sometimes think we suffer because of our name, and have wondered if another name, as "Gift-Box," would enlarge the average woman's idea of the value of the little box.

Many requests have come in for a box which might be a little more substantial than is our present box, and yet not so expensive as are the Bee-Hives and Barrels. Thus far we have not solved the problem, and would be glad to receive suggestions along this line.

We wish to request all who desire the luxury of the Bee-Hives or Barrels, to send the price of the same with their orders, as these boxes are a luxury and not a necessity, the cost of which should be met by the Societies wishing to indulge therein. The Bee-Hives and Barrels ordered by Auxiliaries during this past year cost the Society $78.79.

CASH ACCOUNT—

Received from the General Treasurer $10 00

DISBURSEMENTS—

Paid for postage, expressage, stationery, etc. $10 00

AMOUNT OF MITE-BOX COLLECTIONS.

Conference.	Collection.	Conference.	Collection.
Arizona	$62 60	North Indiana	2,236 58
Baltimore	784 65	North Nebraska	101 56
California	387 68	North Ohio	159 32
Central Illinois	208 50	Northern Minnesota	337 23
Central New York	765 09	Northern New York	600 05
Central Ohio	654 30	Northwest Indiana	940 73
Central Pennsylvania	646 48	Ohio	571 50
Cincinnati	1,432 99	Oklahoma	92 16
Colorado	358 79	Oregon	178 73
Des Moines	557 71	Philadelphia	805 12
Detroit	1,824 50	Pittsburgh	708 00
East Ohio	1,200 94	Rock River	1,786 97
Erie	987 72	St. Louis	392 47
Genesee	661 45	Southern California	1,031 73
Illinois	718 56	Southern Illinois	98 24
Indiana	1,062 15	Southwest Kansas	825 75
Iowa	474 29	Troy	326 21
Kentucky	76 35	Upper Iowa	490 94
Lexington	62 34	Washington	36 00
Little Rock	113 00	West Wisconsin	38 34
Michigan	615 90	Wilmington	273 36
Nebraska	174 26	Wisconsin	96 66
Newark	940 46	Wyoming	583 90
New England	543 92	Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels	863 29
New England Southern	279 62		
New Hampshire	142 80		
New Jersey	401 05	Total	$31.228 14
New York	743 92	Increase over last year	$866 38
New York East	715 92		

SUMMARY.

The *Banner* Conference is North Indiana	$2,236 58
Detroit Conference is second	1,824 50
Rock River Conference is third	1,786 97
Cincinnati Conference is fourth	1,432 99
East Ohio Conference is fifth	1,200 94
Indiana Conference is sixth	1,062 15
Southern California Conference is seventh	1,031 73
In the Baltimore Conference Mrs. John T. Grape had in one box	50 00
In the Central New York Conference one box contained	10 00
In the Cincinnati Conference one box contained	15 00
In the Detroit Conference one box contained	21 15

In the Newark Conference one box contained	17 00
In the North Indiana Conference, two boxes, each contained	25 00
In the Ohio Conference one box contained	20 00
In the Philadelphia Conference one box contained	20 00
In the Wyoming Conference one box contained	10 00
In the St. Louis Conference the Fisk Training-school raised	152 31
Number of Mite-Boxes sent out from the Cincinnati office	8,840
Number of Mite-Boxes sent out from the New York office	99,368
Number of Mite-Boxes sent out from the San Francisco office	3,210
Number of orders sent through the General Secretary	2,049

Total number of Mite-Boxes distributed 111,418

An increase over last year of 34,827

Mrs. E. M. Mills, *Chairman.*

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Another year richly blessed of God has passed into history, and what legacy has it left to us? Do we hear the Master say, "Well done?"

Your Secretary, with many Conference duties to occupy her heart and hands, has not been able to push the cause of Systematic Beneficence as she has longed to do, but the reports sent in by Conference Secretaries show that some progress has been made.

Fifteen Conference Secretaries have sent in reports, a gain of one over last year.

In some instances the information given is too indefinite to tabulate. For example: Number of leaflets and pamphlets distributed? Answer, "A great many." From the figures reported to me I am able to give the following statistics: Forty-four District Secretaries sent in reports to Conference Secretary; 24,955 leaflets and pamphlets have been distributed; 205 sermons on tithing have been preached. The subject of tithing has been presented before 292 Auxiliaries, thirty Sunday schools, ninety-four Epworth Leagues, forty-five prayer meetings, and forty Conventions and rallies.

The fifteen Conference Secretaries who have sent in reports are as follows: Mrs. W. E. Rogers, Colorado Conference; Mrs. E. P. Hudson, Des Moines Conference; Mrs. J. L. Stratton, Erie Conference; Mrs. Naomi J. Mendenhall, East Ohio Conference; Mrs. William Loveless, Illinois Conference; Mrs. L. J. Stanton, Kansas Conference; Mrs. O. C. Bedford, Michigan Conference; Mrs. Chas. W. Meloney, New Jersey Conference; Mrs. M. A. Harlan, North Indiana Conference; Mrs. Chas. Shaver, Northern New York Conference; Mrs. Mary A. Fisher, Ohio Conference; Mrs. E. W. Harlen, Oregon Conference; Mrs. W. R. Goodwin, South California Conference; Miss Bertha Price, Southwest Kansas Conference; Miss Mary L. Fisk, Wyoming Conference.

This is a fairly good report, but not what it ought to be. Let us make it much better next year. This can easily be done if these faithful fifteen women will continue their labors, and if each Conference Board will see to it that a Secretary of Systematic Beneficence is appointed to carry forward the work in her Conference.

Dear Conference officers, I beg of you to do this *at once,* and send me the address of your new Secretary—and thus have a part in the blessed work of bringing into the treasury of the Lord the portion that belongs to Him.

Mrs. I. J. Reynolds, *Chairman.*

TEMPERANCE.

Though advance in the work of the Temperance Department seems slow, there is something of progress to report. Five more Conferences, making sixty-five, have adopted this work. The women that are officially sustaining and reporting it seem more interested and active. We have found methods for printing leaflets and where they may be purchased at less cost, so that for the money expended we secure greater results. We have followed almost the same line of work as at first, distributing leaflets, holding public meetings, promoting scientific temperance instruction in the Sabbath schools and public schools, circulating petitions for reform legislation pending, and remonstrating against vicious measures, each helping in the work that to her seemed most needed and practicable in her Conference.

We had the privilege of helping a little in the Texas and Maine campaigns. Mrs. Ladd of the Maine Conference was active in distribution of leaflets. Among many other things, she sent Hobson's address to every clergyman in the Conference. Mrs. Johnson of Houston rendered efficient help by her addresses among her people in Texas, also in distribution of leaflets. Our leaflets were used in campaigns in Oregon, Florida, Arkansas, and Missouri.

During the year I estimate that about one million pages of temperance literature have been distributed by this Society.

We have used 30,000 excerpts from the Honorable Richmond P. Hobson's address, "Alcohol, the Great Destroyer," and 3,000 of the entire speech. One copy was sent to each officer, deaconess and teacher of our Society. Mrs. Messenger of the Des Moines Conference made effective use of this speech, lending it one Sabbath at Church to one man, asking him to read and return to her the following Sabbath, hoping in this way to pass it on to the entire congregation.

Five hundred posters, "Consumptives, Beware of Alcohol," were sent out for use on tuberculosis Sabbath, and five hundred of other posters of various kinds. We have now an exhibit consisting of maps and posters collected for use at the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Jubilee in Pittsburgh. We were also invited to give out our temperance literature at this booth, the first recognition of which we have heard of the handicap the liquor and opium traffic give to the work of the missionary, as this great Jubilee crossed the continent, though later at the "World in Boston" exhibit this subject had a notable place.

One thousand petition pattern appeals were sent out on reform bills before Congress, and some of these were filled out, attested and forwarded.

The postponed Hague Opium Conference is now dated for December 1st. The following resolution for adoption by Missionary Societies is recommended to us for action at Annual meeting and later by our Auxiliaries:

"Resolved, That we petition the 'International Conference for the suppression of the opium evil,' called by President Taft to meet at The Hague, to enact an international prohibition of opium, to take effect all over the world at the earliest possible date—within two years at most.

"Resolved, That we join in a call for a Day of Universal Prayer coincident with the opening of this momentous Conference.

"Resolved, That certified copies of this action be forwarded at once to President Wm. H. Taft, also to the Society for the Suppression of the Opium Traffic, 181 Queen Victoria Street, London, and to the

International Reform Bureau's Oriental Secretary, Rev. E. W. Thwing, Tientsin, China (in all countries except the United States insert here, and to our own Government's Foreign Secretary), and to the press.

"*Above resolutions are adopted by* ———— of ————, on ————, 1911, and undersigned was authorized to so attest.

(Signed) ————."

During the year prohibition has been defeated in Oregon, Florida, Missouri, Texas; and Maine almost lost her prohibiting power. Three other State Legislatures, Masaschusetts, Iowa, and Arkansas, have refused to allow a vote on a prohibition amendment. Honorable James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, accepted the honorary presidency of the Brewers' Congress, which met in Chicago in October.

Temperance reform has reached a crisis. The many reverses and few victories of the year, and the enormous increase in the per capita consumption of alcoholic liquors ought to arouse to activity every woman that is leagued to win America for Christ.

Have expended during the year in the work of this department seven hundred and three and eighty-nine one-hundredth dollars ($703.89).

(Mrs.) Caroline McDowell, *Chairman.*

DAY OF PRAYER.

More and more each year the Societies are observing the Day of Prayer with great profit to themselves and to the work in general. One of the greatest needs of our day is more real, earnest prayer to Almighty God.

The world is mad in its rush for money and pleasure, but famishing for the essentials—conscience and character. Too many are intensely anxious for external good, but neglecting spiritual life and the one thing needful.

The great National question which involves all others and which all Christians should earnestly and prayerfully consider is our relation to the God of nations and His law, and how to secure righteous legislation and its enforcement. The conscience of the people should be aroused against all forms of unrighteousness in public and private life.

Women in the home, in the schools, in society, and the Church can do very much towards creating a sentiment against the prevailing evils which destroy the happiness of the home and threaten the very life of our Nation. The Day of Prayer is a very appropriate time for confession and to consider the evils which ought to be remedied, and how this may be done. Temperance, the Sabbath, divorce, moral training in our public schools, honesty in public and private life, are living and vital problems demanding prayerful attention.

When we come to God in prayer,

> "We kneel how weak, we rise how full of power.
> Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong,
> Or others, that we are not always strong?"

It is well to remember in these days of social reform by legislation that the greatest single force for the well-being of society is a well-ordered Christian home. Personal and family religion are the foundations upon which all true reform must be built.

It should be a source of sorrow to the women of Methodism that our beloved Church, with its splendid equipment and grand history of heroic

achievement, is now making so little relative advancement. More than two-thirds of the Church members are women, and upon their fidelity largely depends the success of the Church.

Do dress, and display, and amusement occupy too much of even Christian women's time, to the exclusion of worthier things?

That arbitration among nations should take the place of war, with its attendant horrors, is devoutly to be prayed and worked for.

Union services are very desirable where they can be arranged. Programs will be published and can be had when desired of our literature secretaries. But large liberty is encouraged in the arrangements for the observance of the day, only be sure and remember the last Thursday in February as the interdenominational Day of Prayer.

Pray earnestly for all who are working for truth and righteousness, especially for all officers and teachers of our Home Missionary Society. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that built it;" but it is nothing for the Lord to help, whether with many or with them that have no power. Help us, O Lord, for we are trusting in Thee.

(Mrs.) Mary C. Hickman, *Chairman.*

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

That we may be helpful to the Bureau Secretaries in securing teachers for our schools, and that we may assist to positions the many consecrated young women in our Church who desire to do work for the Master in the home land, is the aim of this Committee.

Forty applicants have been accepted and all but nine have received appointments. That God's blessing may rest upon these workers in their various fields of labor is our prayer.

The demand is for thoroughly trained teachers in the grades, in domestic science, and for experienced women to act as matrons in our Homes.

Three graduate kindergartners are on our waiting list. Many others equally well prepared are desirous of entering this department of the work, but we have no openings. It is to be hoped that our great Society may soon provide for many more of the neglected little ones.

Twenty-one different fields of labor have been supplied with workers. Four have gone to Alaska, Boylan, and Clarkson each; two to Utah, New Mexico, and Mitchell each; one is engaged in field work; one in the Rescue Home in Tacoma.

My first year as Chairman of the Committee has not been an easy one, but there has been a joy in the serving that has helped to overbalance many discouragements.

Schools and Homes supplied with workers: Emerson Home, 1; Camden, S. C., 1; Alaska, 4; Boylan Home, 4; Clarkson, Miss., 4; Utah, 2; Eliza Dee Home, 1; Cunningham Orphanage, 1; Navajo Mission, 2; Mitchell Home, 2; Allen Home, 1; Ocala, Fla., 1; Marcy Home, 1; King Home, 1; Oklahoma, 1; Asheville, N. C., 1; Rust Hall, 1; Tacoma Rescue Home, 1; Harwood Home, 1; Field Secretary, 1.

Mrs. A. B. Storm, *Chairman.*

BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

The will of the late Hannah R. Bennett, Middletown, Conn., contains a bequest to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of one-tenth the residue of her estate, subject to certain life estates. It is estimated

that the Society will ultimately receive about $2,000 after the termination of four life estates.

By will of Mrs. Ann Caroline Putnam of Manlius, N. Y., she gives to the Woman's Home Missionary Society one-third of the residue of her estate. This has been paid in full. See below. She also left a trust fund in which our Society has a controlling interest.

Mrs. Phoebe Steele, Ann Arbor, Mich., left a legacy of $477 to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This has been paid in full.

By will of Helen A. Foster of Randolph, Wis., we have a legacy of $500, less the inheritance tax of $20.

Mr. Jerusha Strong, late of Schenectady, N. Y., left $4,000, with an extra $500 for use in Porto Rico. Mr. Strong's sister, Miss Abbie Strong, paid the transfer tax on this legacy, so that the Society might have the full amount of $4,500, which has been paid.

AMOUNTS PAID ON BEQUESTS DURING THE YEAR 1910-1911.

Mrs. Rhoda F. Kidder, Northfield, Vt.	$60 94
Mrs. R. G. Shumway, Polo, Ill.	11,000 00
Mrs. Harriet A. Annis, York, Pa.	2,867 67
Mr. Chas. W. Hurd, Grand Rapids, Mich.	729 08
Mrs. Helen A. Foster, Merrill, Wis.	480 00
Mrs. Harriett B. Campbell, Portland, Ore.	1,000 00
M. J. Sackett, Lowville, N. Y.	500 00
Rosetta Holycross, North Lewisburg, Ohio	100 00
Mrs. Sidney Lundey, Glenn Elder, Kan.	2,000 00
Mrs. Annette Day, Mechanicsburg, Pa.	3.261 91
Mrs. Ruth Elizabeth Bradley, Utica, N. Y.	222 71
Mrs. A. H. Chipman, Petoskey, Mich.	75 00
Mrs. Harriet D. Talmage, Brooklyn, N. Y.	306 89
Mrs. Isaac Johnson, Portage, Wis.	100 00
Mr. Wm. G. Browning, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	952 50
Mrs. Sarah Funk, Griggsville, Ill.	468 81
Mrs. Phoebe Steele, Ann Arbor, Mich.	477 00
Mr. Jerusha Strong, Schenectady, N. Y.	4.500 00
Mr. Benjamin Green, Newark, Ohio	1,280 37
Mrs. Emma R. Merritt, Middletown, Del.	100 00
Mrs. Ann Carolina Purnam, Syracuse, N. Y.	760 27
Total	$30,743 15

MRS. RICHARD DYMOND, *Chairman.*

INSURANCE.

Premiums paid from August 1, 1910, to July 31, 1911 (inclusive), on insurance and amounts of policies for which such premiums are paid:

	Amounts.	Premiums.
Tivoli, N. Y.—Watts De Peyster Home	$3.000 00	$60 00
Greensboro, N. C.—Kent Industrial Home	5,000 00	125 00
" " " " " "	3,000 00	75 00
Everson, Wash.—School Buildings	2,500 00	45 00
" " " "	1,800 00	36 00
Unalaska, Alaska—Jesse Lee Home	3,000 00	90 00

	Amounts.	Premiums.
Marshall, Texas—King's Home	3,000 00	90 00
Boaz, Ala.—Rebecca McCleskey Home	15,000 00	450 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	75 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	75 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	75 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	75 00
" " " " "	5,000 00	150 00
Jacksonville, Fla.—Boylan Home	6,000 00	120 00
" " " "	2,500 00	50 00
" " " "	2,500 00	50 00
" " " "	10,000 00	200 00
" " " "	5,000 00	100 00
" " " "	5,000 00	100 00
" " " "	1,500 00	30 00
Clarkson, Miss.—Bennett Industrial Home	2,000 00	70 00
" " " " "	1,500 00	45 00
" " " " "	950 00	32 25
" " —Woodland Academy	500 00	20 00
Ocala, Fla.—Emerson Memorial Home	900 00	36 00
Camden, S. C.—Mathis Academy	3,000 00	60 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	1,500 00	30 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	1,500 00	30 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	1,000 00	20 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	1,400 00	28 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	2,500 00	50 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	1,500 00	30 00
Camdem, S. C.—Mathis Academy and Babcock Chapel	2,300 00	69 00
Albuquerque, N. M.—Harwood Industrial Home	4,000 00	120 00
" " " " "	2,000 00	60 00
" " " " "	2,000 00	60 00
Cincinnati, Ohio—Glenn Home	500 00	12 50
" " —Office Furniture and Fixtures	1,000 00	4 00
York County, Neb.—York Cottage	1,500 00	30 00
" " " —Mothers' Jewels Home	1,900 00	38 00
Savannah, Ga.—Haven Industrial Home	500 00	12 50
Farmington, N. M.—Navajo Mission	5,000 00	150 00
Atlanta, Ga.—Thayer Home	2,200 00	55 00
Athens, Tenn.—Ritter Industrial Home	1,000 00	25 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	62 50
" " " " "	3,000 00	75 00
" " " " "	2,500 00	62 50
Mayetta, Kan.—Pottawattomie Indian Mission	2,500 00	75 00
Little Rock, Ark.—Adeline Smith Industrial Home	750 00	18 75
Total		$3,453 00

Respectfully submitted, Cincinnati, Ohio, July 31, 1911.
Magly, Straehley & Co.

BY-LAWS.

We recommend the following changes and additions to the By-Laws as printed in Annual Report of 1909-1910:

Page 369, Article III, Section 3. In second line strike out words, "November, February and May," and insert words, "January, April." In same line after "September" insert clause "Also in connection with the Annual meetings of the Board of Managers." In same line after word "Special" insert word "executive."

Page 370, Section 5. Insert after "Conference Society" "The Secretary of the Department of Young People's Work and the Secretary of the Department of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels."

Page 371, Article 4, Section 2. Insert after "Secretaries of Young People's Work" "and Superintendents of Deaconess Homes."

Page 371, Article 4. Change Section numbers after 4 to 5, 6, 7, instead of Paragraphs 2, 3, 4, eliminating all Paragraph numbers.

Page 371, Article 4 in new Section 5. Change word "semi-annually" to "quarterly."

These changes on pages 370-371: "to be published three months in *Woman's Home Missions,* as they are changed in Constitution."

Page 380, Article VII, to be transferred to page 371 and become Article VII, following Article VI on same page; and in this Article insert "Young Woman's" before "Auxiliaries" in second line. In same Article (VII, transferred to page 371), after last paragraph, add this clause, "The payment of fifteen dollars ($15.00) shall constitute a Queen Esther Life Membership."

Page 381, Article VIII. "Department of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels" to be transferred to page 371, following Article VII.

Page 371. Article VII now becomes Article IX, and Article VIII becomes Article X.

Page 372, Article VIII, now Article X. Change roman numerals "VII" to "IX," in first paragraph and also in second paragraph.

Page 375, Section 23. In first line, after "Circle" add words "and Mission Study Classes." Also in fourth line, after "Circles" add same words, "and Mission Study Classes."

Page 375, Section k. After "General Superintendent of Deaconess Work" add these words, "aided as she shall need, by the Secretaries of the different Deaconess Bureaus, each in her own field. This includes the Secretaries for the Training Schools and Hospitals."

Page 376, Section s. Change word "eight" to "ten" in line 5.

Page 378. After Section 8 insert the following, to be numbered 9, and changing the present order of Sections 9, 10, 11, to 10, 11, 12, respectively:

"All moneys received by Bequest and Devise by the Treasurer of a Conference Society shall be sent at once to the General Treasurer, who shall return it at once to the Treasurer of the Conference Society.

"This action is taken that the report of the General Treasurer may be more exact and cover all amounts received by the Conferences."

Page 385, Article 3. In first line change word "ten" to "twenty."

Page 385. Under By-Laws for Auxiliaries, Section 5, add the following: "She shall send out blanks, prepared by the General Treasurer, as a reminder to those who have failed to pay their dues."

Page 386, Section 10. In second line change word "ten" to "twenty."

Page 386, Article II. After first paragraph add the following: "The payment of fifteen dollars ($15.00) shall constitute a Queen Esther Life Membership," this amount to be appropriated only to the payment of the salaries of missionaries.

Page 387, Section 13. Strike out word "Spiritual."

Page 388, Article 4. In first line after word "person" insert words, "fourteen years of age or under.". Respectfully submitted,

MRS. BICKLEY,
MRS. STRATFORD,
MRS. CHAMBERS,
MRS. STOUT,
MISS FOWLER.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, Another *Grand Review* of the twelve months has passed before us, and though deep-seamed with toil and care are the faces of some of these months, yet as they, like veterans, drop from the marching ranks to the past, we note that their banners are alight with victory, and

WHEREAS, We can see in these past successes only God's kind hand, and since we have widening problems to solve, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, accept with courageous joy the tasks that the new months shall bring, and

Resolved, That we pledge our prayers and support to the General officers of our Society in their great plans for the enlargement and extension of our work.

WHEREAS, The Bible reveals that the infinite resources of the Heavenly Father are placed at the disposal of His children through promises to be appropriated by faith, and

WHEREAS, The conquest of America for Christ is possible only through the faith which links Divine Omnipotence with human effort, the love and unity of spirit born of prayer; therefore be it

Resolved, That we urge upon the women of our Auxiliaries the faithful observance of the noontide prayer, the formation of prayer circles, and the setting apart of the first half-hour at monthly Auxiliary meetings to prayer for the special needs of our Society as outlined in *Woman's Home Missions,* claiming as ours for the coming year the mighty promise, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not."

Resolved, That we as a Society study the wisdom of God's tithing plan and its logical results with more intelligent interest, and seek for a larger arousement on this subject, until the covenant of Jacob of old, "Of all that Thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee," shall have become the pledge of our Methodist womanhood. May we emphasize as never before through our Auxiliaries the work of the "Department of Systematic Beneficence."

Resolved, That we urge upon our entire membership the necessity of more devoted interest in our Young People's organizations—Young Women's Auxiliaries, Queen Esther Circles, Home Guards, and Mothers' Jewels, never forgetful that in training these young people we are training the future members of our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Resolved, That the plan proposed by Miss Evans for definite advance in the circulation of *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* be adopted with enthusiasm, and so far as possible be carried out by Conference Secretaries at their respective Annual meetings.

WHEREAS, In this day of opportunity the command of Christ to "Preach the gospel" can not be divorced from that other great command, "Heal the sick;" and,

WHEREAS, the Protestant Christian hospital as a Home Missionary field presents an open door for ministry to all classes and nationalities; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church give larger consideration to its hospitals and encourage this special feature of work.

WHEREAS, Believing that we can never win America for Christ until we have first destroyed the American saloon, and believing that the present crisis in temperance reform is at hand because of the tremendous increase of the per capita consumption of alcoholic liquors, and the numerous defeats of the year for State-wide prohibition, therefore be it

Resolved, That we as a Society renew our declaration of hostility to the alcoholic drink habit and the drink traffic, and pledge our utmost endeavor towards its destruction.

Resolved, That we assure the "Consumers' League" of our sympathy and co-operation in their battle for the underpaid working girls, from whose ranks are largely recruited the victims of the "white slave traffic."

Resolved, That we rejoice in the growing spirit of unity as exemplified in the "Interdenominational Work of the Council of Women for Home Missions." As Christian women devoted to a common cause, we may well consider together themes of mutual interest in a study course, enter the only open door in schools and colleges, confer together in Summer Conferences, plan for work among children, consider economics of time and service on mission fields, and, above all, unite in prayer for the blessed work; and be it

Resolved, That we rejoice in the presence of representatives from Home Missionary Societies of other denominations at our interdenominational hour, and bid them "Godspeed" in a common service.

Resolved, That we assure the "National Child Labor Committee" of our co-operation in their great work in the attempt to secure the passing of laws regarding employment of children in the mills, factories, mines, and canneries.

WHEREAS, The arrangements of the Wichita Committee for the entertainment of this Convention have been most praiseworthy. We are deeply conscious of the careful thought and loving, faithful preparation which months of labor on the part of these loyal and devoted women have crystallized into the completeness of convenience and comfort which have invited us on every side; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend heartiest thanks to the gracious, efficient Chairman, Mrs. Alma Piatt, and her splendid corps of associates;

To Rev. A. B. Hestwood, the pastor of this Church, always present, ever on the alert to minister in every possible way to our comfort and the success of each session;

To the musicians for the choice selections, which have been one of the helpful and inspiring features of the Convention;

To the Trustees of Trinity Church;

To the ushers, pages, and nurse deaconess;

To the postmistresses and those in charge of check-room;

To the women of Trinity, and all Methodist Churches having so hospitably served us in the dining-rooms;

To the janitor, for his faithful service;

To the friends who made possible the delightful automobile ride on Saturday;

To the local press for excellent reports of the proceedings, and other courtesies;

To the representatives of the railroads, who have shown such courteous attention;

To the Trustees of the Masonic Home for the use of their chapel, and to Mrs. Joseph Thompson for the use of her parlors for the Conference and Bureau Secretaries' meetings;

To all Churches and organizations that welcomed our representatives to their pulpits and platforms on Sabbath; also to the various young people's organizations that responded so royally to the call of their Chairman for the Young People's Rally on Tuesday evening;

To the Superintendent and deaconesses of the Wichita Deaconess Home for the delightul reception;

To Bishop John F. Nuelsen, for his presence and masterly address on Friday evening; and also to the Rev. Henry J. Coker, D. D., for his message of greetings from the Board of Home Missions, and for his continued presence and later appreciative words;

To the missionaries, deaconesses, and visiting clergy;

To Mrs. Hiram Imboden, Representative from the Topeka Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; and to Mrs. Lena Hartzell Wallace, National Organizer for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union;

To the Masonic Order for the cordial welcome extended to our women at the reception held in their magnificent building; the ladies of the Eastern Star, who served the banquet, and the High School Orchestra and other musicians, who furnished the music and delightful scenic features;

To Governor Stubbs and all the speakers who honored us by their presence and cordial salutations on this occasion, through which we were made to feel that your State, your city, your churches, your homes, and your hearts have been thrown wide open to welcome this Convention.

We pray that the choicest benedictions of the Master may be shed upon all who have in any way contributed to this achievement of devotion. We trust that the influence of this important convocation may, like the dews of heaven, make the spiritual soil of Kansas fertile in missionary enthusiasm.

Mrs. A. C. Peck,
Mrs. A. H. Woodcock,
Mrs. A. B. Storms,
Mrs. Hedley R. Woodward,
Mrs. McGlone.

APPROPRIATIONS

OF THE

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the Year Ending July 31, 1912.

Southern Work.—Colored.

	Unconditional.	*Conditional.	Total.
THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.			
Salaries	$1,550 00	$300 00	
Repairs		300 00	
Kindergarten	300 00		
City missions		200 00	
Student Aid		875 00	
	$1,850 00	$1,675 00	
Domestic Science building (conditional), $30,000.			$3,525 500
HAVEN HOME AND SCHOOL, SAVANNAH, GA.			
Salaries	$1,860 00	$240 00	
Repairs	300 00	100 00	
Laundry		200 00	
Student Aid		900 00	
	$2,160 00	$1,440 00	
			3,600 00
SPEEDWELL, GA.			
Salaries	$460 00	$100 00	
Repairs	150 00	150 00	
Student Aid		200 00	
	$610 00	$450 00	
			1,060 00
BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.			
Salaries	$2,520 00	$360 00	
Current expenses	300 00		
Student Aid		1,000 00	
To complete building fence and furnishing		6,000 00	
	$2,820 00	$7,360 00	
			10,180 00

*"Conditional," as here used, means that only so much as is specifically raised for this purpose will be used to meet this appropriation. The amounts so raised are called "Special Funds."

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
BREWSTER HOSPITAL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.			
Salaries	$660 00	$60 00	
Current expenses		100 00	
Rent	120 00	600 00	
Student Aid		200 00	
	$780 00	$960 00	
			$1,740 00
EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL, OCALA, FLA.			
Salaries	$980 00	$300 00	
Current expenses and repairs		300 00	
Student Aid		300 00	
	$980 00	$900 00	
			1,880 00
ALLEN HOME AND SCHOOL, ASHEVILLE, N. C.			
Salaries	$1,780 00	$140 00	
Fuel, light, and water	300 00	300 00	
Current expenses and repairs	500 00	200 00	
Debt on fire escape	200 00		
Sewerage and street paving	350 00		
Student Aid		600 00	
Debt on building		1,000 00	
	$3,130 00	$2,240 00	
			5,370 00
BROWNING HOME AND SCHOOL, CAMDEN, S. C.			
Salaries	$2,280 00	$200 00	
Current expenses	100 00	400 00	
Repairs and improvements	700 00		
Plantation work		60 00	
Student Aid		700 00	
Improvements (for dormitory)		2,500 00	
	$3,080 00	$3,860 00	
			6,940 00
KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C.			
Salaries	$600 00	$320 00	
Current expenses	200 00	40 00	
Student Aid		500 00	
	$800 00	$860 00	
			1,660 00
NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE HOME, MORRISTOWN, TENN.			
Salaries	$600 00		
Current Expenses	200 00	$200 00	
Student Aid		450 00	
	$800 00	$650 00	
			1,450 00

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.			
Salaries	$850 00	$60 00	
Current expenses		590 00	
Repairs and Laundry	300 00	800 00	
Student Aid		500 00	
	$1,150 00	$1,950 00	
			$3,100 00
Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.			
Salary	$740 00	$200 00	
Current expenses and repairs	25 00	575 00	
Fire escape		300 00	
Student Aid		800 00	
	$765 00	$1,875 00	
			2,640 00
Peck School of Domestic Science, New Orleans, La.			
Salaries	$640 00		
Current expenses	290 00	$30 00	
Student Aid		50 00	
	$930 00	$80 00	
Building, $25,000.			1,010 00
King Home, Marshall, Texas.			
Salaries	$1,280 00		
Current expenses		$400 00	
Domestic science		400 00	
Repairs		500 00	
Student Aid		600 00	
	$1,280 00	$1,900 00	
			3,180 00
Eliza Dee Home, Austin, Texas.			
Salaries	$700 00	$60 00	
Current expenses		250 00	
Student Aid		250 00	
	$700 00	$560 00	
Building (conditional) $2,000.			1,260 00
Total for Southern Colored Work	$21,835 00	$26,760 00	$48,595 00

Southern Work.—White.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
ELIZABETH RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.			
Salaries	$625 00	$190 00	
Current expenses	100 00	175 00	
Improvement and painting		1,000 00	
Student Aid		1,800 00	
	$725 00	$3,165 00	
			$3,890 00
BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salaries	$800 00	$145 00	
Current expenses	200 00	300 00	
Improvements	300 00	200 00	
Student Aid		800 00	
	$1,300 00	$1,445 00	
			2,745 00
BENNETT ACADEMY, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salaries	$1,800 00	$705 00	
Current expenses		200 00	
Improvements		100 00	
	$1,800 00	$1,005 00	
			2,805 00
DICKSON HALL, CLARKSON, MISS.			
Salary	$315 00		
Current expenses		$200 00	
	$315 00	$200 00	
			515 00
MISSION WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.			
Salary	$360 00	$60 00	
Salary—Italian work	150 00	250 00	
	$510 00	$310 00	
			820 00
REBECCA MCCLESKY HOME, BOAZ, ALA.			
Salaries	$650 00	$950 00	
Current expenses	400 00	100 00	
Furnishing		500 00	
Improvement	250 00	250 00	
Student Aid		3,500 00	
Debt on building		1,000 00	
	$1,300 00	$6,300 00	
			7,600 00
SETTLEMENT WORK.			
Cedartown, Ga	$240 00	$50 00	
Sayre, Ala	240 00	50 00	
	$480 00	$100 00	
			580 00

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
EBENEZER C. MITCHELL HOME AND SCHOOL, MEISENHEIMER, N. C.			
Salaries	$500 00	$805 00	
Current Expenses	100 00	100 00	
Furnishings		200 00	
Student Aid		1,500 00	
Debt on building		3,000 00	
	$600 00	$5,605 00	
			$6,205 00
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS, N. CAROLINA.			
Salaries	$350 00	$150 00	500 00
HIGHLAND WORK.			
Holston Conference, Tenn	$300 00	$300 00	600 00
Total for Southern white work	$7,680 00	$18,580 00	$26,260 00
Total for Southern work	$29,515 00	$45,340 00	$74,855 00

Utah.

ELSINORE	$790 00	$50 00	
LOGAN	360 00		
MORONI	720 00	120 00	
MT. PLEASANT	360 00		
OGDEN	250 00		
PROVO	360 00		
SPRING CITY	720 00	120 00	
EPHRAIM	240 00	120 00	
SALT LAKE			
Salaries	600 00		
House expenses	600 00	225 00	
School supplies		150 00	
Incidentals		150 00	
Extra worker (if needed)		360 00	
	$5,000 00	$1,295 00	
			$6,295 00

Spanish-American Work.

HARWOOD HOME AND SCHOOL, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.			
Salaries	$1,620 00	$480 00	
Current expenses	150 00		
Debt on building		500 00	
Repairs, furnishing and plumbing		300 00	
Student Aid		1,800 00	
	$1,770 00	$3,080 00	
			$4,850 00
ROSE GREGORY HOUCHEN SETTLEMENT HOUSE, EL PASO, TEXAS. Building (conditional), $3,500.			

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
TUCSON INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL, TUCSON, ARIZONA.			
Salaries	$900 00	$880 00	
Current expenses	300 00	700 00	
Student Aid		1,800 00	
Furnishing		300 00	
Debt on building		7,000 00	
	$1,200 00	$10,680 00	
			$11,880 00
FRANCES DEPAUW INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL, LOS ANGELES, CAL.			
Salaries	$1,480 00	$440 00	
Current expenses	250 00	280 00	
Improvements		1,500 00	
Student Aid		3,000 00	
	$1,730 00	$5,220 00	
			6,950 00
GEO. O. ROBINSON ORPHANAGE, SAN TURCE, PORTO RICO.			
Salary	$1,740 00	$360 00	
Current expenses and farmer	700 00	3,350 00	
Student Aid		3,600 00	
	$2,440 00	$7,310 00	
			9,750 00
MCKINLEY DAY SCHOOL, SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO.			
Salaries	$1,200 00		
Current expenses		$250 00	
Student Aid		950 00	
	$1,200 00	$1,200 00	
			2,400 00
FISK DAY SCHOOL, PONCE, P. R.			
Salaries	$500 00	$250 00	
Student Aid		500 00	
	$500 00	$750 00	
Building (conditional), $10,000.			
			1,250 00
TRAINING SCHOOL, VIEQUES, P. R.			
Salaries	$500 00	$200 00	
Student Aid		500 00	
	$500 00	$700 00	
			1,200 00
PUERTA DE TIERA DAY SCHOOL, P. R.			
Current expenses		$150 00	
Student Aid		150 00	
		$300 00	
			300 00
Total for Spanish-American work	$9,340 00	$29,240 00	$38,580 00

Indian Work.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
NAVAJO HOME AND SCHOOL, FARMINGTON, N. M.			
Salaries	$1,400 00	$1,000 00	
Current expenses	200 00	300 00	
Farm supplies	100 00	600 00	
Furnishing and fire escape	100 00	700 00	
Horses, wagon, etc		400 00	
Student Aid		2,000 00	
Completing building		9,500 00	
	$1,800 00	$14,500 00	
			$16,300 00
PONCA MISSION, PONCA, OKLAHOMA.			
Salary	$480 00		
Current expenses		$125 00	
	$480 00	$125 00	605 00
POTTAWATOMIE MISSION SCHOOL, MAYETTA, KANSAS.			
Salary	$550 00	$250 00	
Current expenses		125 00	
	$550 00	$375 00	925 00
NOOKSACH MISSION, STICKNEY DAY SCHOOL, EVERSON, WASHINGTON.			
Salaries	$800 00	$172 00	
Current expenses		300 00	
Student Aid		500 00	
	$800 00	$972 00	
			1,772 00
GREENVILLE MISSION, GREENVILLE, CALIFORNIA.	$300 00	$400 00	700 00
YUMA MISSION, YUMA, CALIFORNIA.			
Salaries	$500 00	$500 00	
Current expenses		100 00	
Medical supplies		150 00	
	$500 00	$750 00	1,250 00
Total for Indian work	$4,430 00	$17,122 00	$21,552 00

Alaska.

JESSE LEE HOME, UNALASKA, ALASKA.			
Salaries	$1,650 00	$590 00	
Current expenses and repairs	700 00	150 00	
Fuel		600 00	
Hospital		200 00	
Student Aid		2,500 00	
	$2,350 50	$4,040 00	
			$6,390 00

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
SINUK MISSION, SINUK, ALASKA.			
Salaries	$1,000 00	$240 00	
Current expenses	200 00	300 00	
Laundry and storm shed		1,000 00	
Engine for boat		600 00	
Student Aid		1,000 00	
	$1,200 00	$3,140 00	4,340 00
Total for Alaska	$3,550 00	$7,180 00	$10,730 00

Chinese Work.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.			
Salaries and current expenses	$3,000 00		
Kindergarten		$500 00	
Student Aid		2,000 00	
Building		5,000 00	
	$3,000 00	$7,500 00	$10,500 00
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.			
Salary	500 00		500 00
Total for Chinese work	$3,500 00	$7,500 00	$11,000 00

Japanese and Korean Work.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.			
Salaries and current expenses	$2,000 00	$400 00	
Incidentals	300 00		
Student Aid		2,500 00	
Debt on building		2,000 00	
	$2,300 00	$4,900 00	$7,200 00
JANE COUCH MEMORIAL HOME, LOS ANGELES, CAL.			
Salaries and Current expenses	$600 00		600 00
SUSANNAH WESLEY HOME AND SCHOOL, HONOLULU, HAWAII.			
Salaries and current expenses	$1,400 00	$400 00	
Student Aid		1,800 00	
	$1,400 00	$2,200 00	$3,600 00
CATHERINE BLAINE HOME, SEATTLE, WASH.			
Building (conditional), $4,000.			
Total for Japanese and Korean work	$3,700 00	$7,700 00	$11,400 00

Immigrant Work—Atlantic Ports.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
NEW YORK CITY.			
Salaries	$864 00	$96 00	
Current expenses		750 00	
Domestic		230 00	
Rent	2,500 00		
	$3,364 00	$1,076 00	
			$4,440 00
EAST BOSTON.			
Salaries	$1,236 00		
Current expenses	364 00	$270 00	
Rent	400 00		
Building	1,700 00		
	$3,700 00	$270 00	3,970 00
Building (conditional), $25,000.			
PHILADELPHIA	$250 00	$150 00	
	$250 00	$150 00	$400 00
Total for Immigrant work, Atlantic Ports	$7,314 00	$1,496 00	$8,810 00

Children's Homes.

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME AND SCHOOL, YORK, NEB.			
Salaries	$2,516 00	$300 00	
Current expenses and fire escape	1,550 00	1,500 00	
Student Aid		3,500 00	
	$4,066 00	$5,300 00	
			$9,366 00
WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME AND SCHOOL, TIVOLI, N. Y.			
Salaries	$2,000 00		
Farmer	750 00		
Current expenses and fuel	700 00	$1,800 00	
Building and furnishing		1,000 00	
Student Aid		2,200 00	
Rebuilding Laundry		700 00	
	$3,450 00	$5,700 00	
			$9,150 00
ELIZABETH A. BRADLEY HOME, HULTON, PA.; P. O., OAKMONT, PA.			
Salary and current expenses	$2,000 00	$5,500 00	
	$2,000 00	$5,500 00	
			$7,500 00

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
CUNNINGHAM CHILDREN'S HOME, URBANA, ILL.			
Salary	$750 00	$700 00	
Student Aid		2,000 00	
	$750 00	$2,700 00	$3,450 00
Addition to building (conditional), $6,000.			
DAVID AND MARGARET HOME, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.			
Current expenses		$1,500 00	$1,500 00
Total for Children's Homes	$10,266 00	$20,700 00	$30,966 00

National Training Schools for Missionaries and Deaconesses.

LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C.			
Salaries	$3,740 00	$500 00	
Current expenses	8,260 00	2,500 00	
Student Aid		5,000 00	
	$12,000 00	$8,000 00	
			$20,000 00
FISK HALL, KANSAS CITY, MO.			
Salary and current expenses	$3,500 00	$2,000 00	
Rent	1,000 00		
Student Aid		2,500 00	
	$4,500 00	$4,500 00	
			9,000 00
BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.			
Salary	$2,000 00		
Current expenses	2,000 00	$2,400 00	
Student Aid		1,600 00	
	$4,000 00	$4,000 00	
			8,000 00
MCCRUM SLAVONIC TRAINING SCHOOL, UNIONTOWN, PA.			
Salaries		$600 00	
Current expenses		550 00	
School supplies		100 00	
Student Aid		1,000 00	
		$2,250 00	
			2,250 00
Colored Training School		$2,000 00	2,000 00
Total for Training Schools	$20,500 00	$20,750 00	$41,250 00

Hospitals.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
Burge Hospital, Springfield, Mo		$5,000 00	
Colorado Springs Sanitarium		12,000 00	
Beth-El Hospital, Colorado Springs, Col		.....	
Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital, Toledo, O		1,200 00	
Keokuk Hospital, Keokuk, Iowa		5,000 00	
Indianapolis, Indiana		10,000 00	
		$33,200 00	$33,200 00

Deaconess Work.

Aldrich Memorial, Grand Rapids, Mich		$6,500 00	
Altona, Pa		600 00	
Baltimore, Md		8,000 00	
Barre, Vt		2,000 00	
Bidwell Home and Iowa Training School, Des Moines, Ia		5,000 00	
Brooklyn, N. Y		6,000 00	
Central Pennsylvania—Anthracite Mission, Hazelton, Pa		1,800 00	
Cleveland, O		7,000 00	
Colorado Conference		3,086 00	
Detroit, Mich		4,000 00	
Genesee Conference, Buffalo, N. Y		10,000 00	
Griffin, Albany, N. Y		4,000 00	
Holloway, Bridgeport, O		3,000 00	
Indianapolis Station		1,000 00	
Irene Maitland, New Castle, Pa		1,500 00	
Jersey City, N. J		4,500 00	
Lexington, Ky		300 00	
Martinsburg, W. Va		1,500 00	
Newark, N. J		5,000 00	
New Castle, Pa		1,500 00	
New Haven, Conn		2,000 00	
Ohio Conference, Columbus, Ohio		5,000 00	
Philadelphia, Pa		12,000 00	
Pittsburg, Pa		6,000 00	
			$101,286 00

Anthracite Mission Building, Hazelton, Pa. (conditional), $4,000.

Rest Homes.

Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J	$500 00	$1,200 00	
Special to Ocean Grove	240 00		
Elvira Olney, Ludington, Mich		300 00	
Thompson Rest, Mt. Lake Park, Md.	50 00	900 00	
Wing Rest, Huntington Park, Cal		300 00	
Beulah Rest Home, San Francisco, Cal.		500 00	
	$790 00	$3,200 00	
			$3,990 00

City Missions.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO, ILL.			
Salaries	$3,300 00	$700 00	
Current expenses and furnishing		1,100 00	
Fuel and light		550 00	
Day nursery		175 00	
Dispensary		225 00	
Jewish work		300 00	
	$3,300 00	$3,050 00	
			$6,350 00
CHICAGO MISSION WORK.			
Ada Street Mission		$840 00	
South Chicago		420 00	
Spring Valley		500 00	
Italian Work		1,000 00	
Lincoln Street		300 00	
Girls' Home		1,000 00	
Joliet, Ill		420 00	
New Work		840 00	
		$5,320 00	
			5,320 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI, OHIO.			
Salary and current expenses	$600 00	$3,000 00	3,600 00
HULL STREET SETTLEMENT AND MEDICAL MISSION, BOSTON, MASS	$1,000 00	$3,750 00	4,750 00
SUSANNAH WESLEY HOME* FOR SCANDINAVIAN YOUNG WOMEN, CHICAGO, ILL		$2,000 00	2,000 00
Building (conditional) $12,000.			
PORTLAND, OREGON.			
Building (conditional) $2,500.			
ITALIAN WORK.			
Astoria, L. I		$100 00	
Central Pennsylvania		670 00	
Kingston, Pa		50 00	
Middletown, Conn		100 00	
New Haven, Conn		150 00	
Portland, Me		100 00	
Providence, R. I		200 00	
Rochester, N. Y		500 00	
Syracuse, N. Y		200 00	
Tacoma, Wash		1,000 00	
Utica, N. Y	$500 00	1,000 00	
Youngstown, O		100 00	
	$500 00	$4,170 00	
			$4,670 00
Utica, N. Y. building (conditional) $10,000.			

*Appropriation canceled.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.	Total.
SWEDISH WORK.			
Central Swedish Conference	$300 00	$500 00	
Brooklyn, N. Y		150 00	
	$300 00	$650 00	
			$950 00
Total for City Missions	$5,700 00	$21,940 00	$27,640 00
Conference Work.			
California Conference—Finnish Work		$100 00	
Central New York		350 00	
East Ohio		150 00	
Erie, New Castle, Pa		100 00	
Indiana		1,800 00	
North Indiana		1,000 00	
Northwest Indiana		500 00	
Michigan		400 00	
Northern Minnesota		450 00	
Oklahoma		350 00	
Pittsburg		1,000 00	
Upper Iowa		500 00	
West Wisconsin		400 00	
Wisconsin, Indian		150 00	
Total for Conference Work		$7,250 00	
			7,250 00
Temperance Work	$500 00		500 00
Missionaries' travel	$3,500 00		
Printing	3,500 00		
Field workers	5,500 00		
Editor and Publisher	2,750 00		
Secretaries	4,000 00		
Board of Managers' meeting	2,000 00		
General Conference expenses	2,000 00		
	$23,250 00		
INTEREST, INSURANCE, AND TAXES.			
Interest on Annuities, Endowments and Notes	$8,500 00		
Insurance & Taxes	2,500 00		
	$10,500 00		
ADMINISTRATION.			
Attorney fees	$600 00		
Office expenses	5,650 00		
Incidentals	2,500 00		
	$8,750 00		
Total General Expenses	$42,500 00		42,500 00
GRAND TOTALS.	$146,605 00	$325,199 00	$471,804 00

MRS. DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS.

Additional Appropriations Made by the Board of Managers October 19th-26th.

	Unconditional.	Conditional
Portland, Oregon	$1,000 00	
McCrum Slavonic School	500 00	
Angel Island, California	300 00	
Siloam Springs, Arkansas	500 00	
Harlan, Kentucky	500 00	
Olive Hill, Kentucky	500 00	
Beloit, Wisconsin	100 00	
East St. Louis Slavonic Mission	300 00	
Italian Mission, Indianapolis, Ind.		$500 00
East St. Louis, Central Missouri Conference	100 00	
Russian Work, Cleveland, Ohio	100 00	
Ashland District, West Wisconsin Conference	350 00	
Rock Springs, Wyoming	350 00	
Harrisburg, Pa.		600 00
Mt. Carmel, Pa.		366 00
Indianapolis, Ind.		500 00
Italian Work, Altoona, Pa.		150 00
Methodist Episcopal Home for Girls, St. Louis, Mo.		1,000 00
Idaho Conference		500 00
Oregon Conference		2,000 00

The following changes were made: Barre, Vt., $500 unconditional, $1,500 conditional. Anthracite Mission, Hazelton, Pa., $1,200, $600 being unconditional; $6,000 conditional for building, instead of $4,000. Tucson, Arizona, $5,000 for building instead of $7,000.

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PLEDGES.

General Fund: Baltimore, $3,000; California, $3,130; Central Illinois, $1,500; Central Ohio, $4,000; Central Pennsylvania, $2,050; Cincinnati, $3,700; Colorado, $700; Columbia River, $900; Delaware, $16.50; Des Moines, $2,800; Detroit, $2,300; East Ohio, $3,000; Erie, $3,500; Genesee, $2,600; Illinois, $3.500; Indiana, $2,644; Iowa, $1,900; Kansas, $1,300; Lexington, $600; Michigan, $3,600; Missouri, $150; Nebraska, $1,600; Newark, $2,500; New England, $2,000; New England Southern, $1,350; New Hampshire, $55; New Jersey, $2,700; New York, $1,600; New York East, $2,200; North Dakota, $380; North Indiana, $3,155; North Nebraska, $1,160; North Ohio, $2,150; Northern Minnesota, $500; Northern New York, $3,000; Northwest Indiana, $2,000; Northwest Kansas, $700; Oklahoma, $500; Oregon, $427; Philadelphia, $1,517; Pittsburgh, $3,800; Puget Sound, $1,200; St. Louis, $3,019; South Kansas, $750; Southern California, $3,000; Southwest Kansas, $1,900; Upper Iowa, $3,000; Vermont, $800; Washington, $451; West Texas. $100; West Virginia, $700; Wilmington, $1,000; Wisconsin, $660; Wyoming, $2,000.

Bonds: Baltimore, $1,200; Central Ohio, $500; Cincinnati, $1,000; East Ohio, $500; Erie, $1,500; Genesee, $1,000; Minnesota, $100; Newark, $500; New England, $100; New Jersey, $200; New York, $1,000; New York East, $500; Northern Minnesota, $500; Northern New York, $100; Northwest Iowa, $200; Oklahoma, $100; Rock River, $1,000; Southern California, $1,000; Wisconsin, $300.

Thayer Home.—*Salary:* North Indiana, $320. *Current Expenses:* Ohio, $25; Pittsburgh, $20; Detroit, $15. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $90; East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $15; Minnesota, $20; Montana, $25; Nebraska, $25; New England, $110; New England Southern, $100; New York East, $85; North Indiana, $115; North Ohio, $10; Northern New York, $25; Northeast Kansas, $10; Philadelphia, $20; Pittsburgh, $15; Rock River, $60; Vermont, $30; Wisconsin, $75; Wyoming, $50. *Kindergarten:* Colorado, $15; New York, $15. *Special:* Erie, $50; Genesee, $5; Newark, $50; North Indiana, $150; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $50; Oregon, $5; Puget Sound, $5; South Kansas, $10; Vermont, $20. *Building:* Central Illinois, $50; Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, $45; East Ohio, $100; New York East, Auxiliary, $10; Young People, $5; Ohio, $100; Philadelphia, $50; Washington, $100. *Domestic Science:* Michigan, $50.

Haven Home.—*Salary:* Erie, $300; Upper Iowa, $25. *Current Expenses:* Little Rock, $5. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, $5; Des Moines, $50; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $50; Genesee, $30; Indiana, $35; Minnesota, $10; Nebraska, $25; Nevada Mission, $10; New England, $50; New York, $10; North Dakota, $50; North Indiana, $50; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $50; Northern New York, $20; Northwest Indiana, $5; Ohio, $20; Philadelphia, $186.50 Auxiliary, and $15 Young People; Pittsburgh, $10; Puget Sound, $5; Wilmington, $25; Wyoming, $50. *Special:* Baltimore, $5; Central Ohio, $10; Detroit, $10; Little Rock, $10; Michigan, $10; New Jersey, $5; North Indiana, $25; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oregon, $15; Philadelphia, $38; Texas, $10; Wyoming, $5; Mrs. G. O. Robinson, $50.

SPEEDWELL.—*Special:* Michigan, $10; Northwest Kansas, $10; Pittsburgh, $10.

BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL.—*Current Expenses:* Indiana, $55; Pittsburgh, $25; Troy, $10. *Student Aid:* California, $10; Central New York, $20; Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, $10; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $50; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $50; Florida, $25; Illinois, $125; Michigan, $50; Nebraska, $25; New Hampshire, $100; New York, $10; North Indiana, $50; North Ohio, $40; Northwest Kansas, $10; Ohio, $25; Rock River, $50; Southern California, $15; Southwest Kansas, $33; Upper Iowa, $25; Wilmington, $25; Wisconsin, $60; Wyoming, $50. *Memorial Pledge:* Scranton, $50. *Special:* Detroit, $25; North Indiana, $395; North Ohio, $25; Northern New York, $100; Oregon, $5. *Building:* Ohio, $50. *On Debt:* Central Ohio, $25. *Settlement Work:* Indiana, $5.

BREWSTER HOSPITAL.—*Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $5. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $25; Des Moines, $25; Michigan, $15. *Special:* Central Pennsylvania, $15; East Ohio, $10; North Indiana, $50; Northwest Indiana, $50; Oregon, $5; Rock River, $10; Upper Iowa, $50. *Rescue Work:* Michigan, $10.

EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL.—*Salary:* Central Ohio, $25; East Ohio, $300; Pittsburgh, $10. *Domestic Science:* South Kansas, $15. *Current Expenses:* Detroit, $25; North Indiana, $25. *Student Aid:* California, $10; Detroit, $50; East Ohio, $50; Michigan, $25; New York East, $50; North Indiana, $100; Ohio, $25; South Kansas, $50; Southwest Kansas, $9; Upper Ohio, $25. *Special:* Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $50; Detroit, $10.

ALLEN HOME AND SCHOOL.—*Salary:* Cincinnati, $5; Indiana, $90; Pittsburgh, $10. *Current Expenses:* Central Ohio, $25. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Cincinnati, $10; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $80; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $50; Genesee, $20; Indiana, $80; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $35; Nebraska, $25; New England Southern, $50; Philadelphia, $1; Rock River, $15; Wyoming, $50; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, for Guards and Jewels, $50. *Special:* Columbia River, $5. *Fire Escape:* Michigan, $5; Northern Minnesota, $5.

BROWNING HOME AND SCHOOL.—*Salary for Mather Academy:* Detroit, $320; Northern Minnesota, $10. *Current Expenses:* North Dakota, $10; Northwest Iowa, $10; Ohio, $25; Wyoming, $25. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $5; Central New York, $80; Cincinnati, $5; Detroit, $47.50; East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $10; New England, $40; New England Southern, $100; New Jersey, $50; New York, $5; North Indiana, $14; North Nebraska, $20; Northwest Kansas, $5; Oklahoma, $50. *Special:* Erie, $100; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $10; New England, $30; New England Southern, $100; New Hampshire, $29; New York, $5; North Indiana, $100; North Ohio, $50; Philadelphia, $100; Wyoming, $100. *Building:* Central Illinois, $50; East Ohio, $100; Genesee, $50; Indiana, $100; New England Southern, $100; New Jersey, $25; New York East, $100; Northwest Indiana, $100; Rock River, $100; South Kansas, $40; Upper Iowa, $50; Washington, $25; Wisconsin, $10. *To Name Room:* Central Illinois, $100; Central Ohio, $100. *Plantation Work:* New England Southern, $25.

KENT HOME.—*Salary:* Detroit, $320. *Current Expenses:* New England Southern, $25; North Indiana, $25; Pittsburgh, $15; St. Louis, $15. *Student Aid:* Cincinnati, $5; Detroit, $420; East Ohio, $50; Nebraska, $25; New York, $45; New York East, $25; Northern New York, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10; Rock River, $50; Southwest Kansas, $28; Ver-

mont, $50; Washington, $40; Wisconsin, $10; Wyoming, $25. *Special:* Genesee, $20; Northern Minnesota, $15; Oklahoma, $10; Oregon, $25. *Building:* Northwest Indiana, $100; Ohio, $50.

New Jersey Conference Home.—*Salary:* New Jersey, $20. *Student Aid:* Columbia River, $20; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $190; Newark, $10; New Jersey, $50; New York, $20; New York East, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10. *Special:* Central Ohio, $10; Detroit, $10; Mrs. G. O. Robinson, $10. *Painting:* Detroit; Mrs. S. H. Earle, $20; Mrs. H. J. Dennis, $20; Genesee, $10; New Jersey, $10; New York, Mrs. P. M Waters, $10.

E. L. Rust Home.—*Salary:* Iowa, $25; Upper Mississippi, $60. *Current Expenses:* California, $10; Central Missouri, $5; Central Ohio, $25; Colorado, $5; North Dakota, $15; Upper Mississippi, $250. *Student Aid:* Central New York, $25; Central Ohio, $50; Colorado, $10; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $80; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $38; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $50; Newark, $25; New York, $20; North Dakota, $25; Northwest Indiana, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10; Pittsburgh, $10; Rock River, $35; Troy, $15; West Wisconsin, $25; Wilmington, $25; Wyoming, $25; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, for Guards and Jewels, $50. *Special:* Central Illinois, $25; Central Missouri, Mrs. H. Ketchum, $5; Cincinnati, $25; Mrs. F. A. Aiken, $5; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, $5; Detroit, Mrs. G. O. Robinson, $25; Erie, $50; Kansas, $50; Michigan, $10; New Hampshire, $10; New Jersey, $15; North Indiana, $25; North Ohio, $75; Northern New York, $5; Philadelphia, $10; Pittsburgh, Mrs. I. C. McDowell, $10; South Kansas, $10; Southern California, $10; Wisconsin, $10. *Cow:* Detroit, Miss H. Bancroft, $10; East Ohio, $10; Mississippi, $5; New England Southern, $10; Northern Minnesota, $10; Philadelphia, $10; West Texas, $5. *Fire Escape:* North Nebraska, $5; Northern New York, $5; Oregon, $10; Washington, $25. *Bath Tub:* Detroit, $10; Oregon, Mrs. C. L. Weaver, $5; Puget Sound, $10. *Laundry:* Colorado, $10; Detroit, $25; New York East, $10; Northwest Indiana, $50.

Adeline Smith Home.—*Salary:* Wisconsin, $10. *Current Expenses:* Central Ohio, $25; Columbia River, $5; Pittsburgh, $10. *Student Aid:* California, $10; Central New York, $50; Central Ohio, $50; Colorado, $10; Columbia River, $10; Des Moines, $100; Detroit, $97.50; East Ohio, $200; Genesee, $25; Indiana, $20; Kansas, $100; Lexington, $51; Michigan, $50; Nebraska, $25; New York East, $50; Northern Minnesota, $40; Northern New York, $100; Northwest Indiana, $100; Northwest Iowa, $50; Northwest Kansas, $25; Ohio, $25; Oklahoma, $50; Pittsburgh, $65; Rock River, $150; Southwest Kansas, $25; Upper Iowa, $100; Wisconsin, $30. *Special:* Columbia River, $5; Erie, $50; Little Rock, $60; North Indiana, $25; North Nebraska, $25. *Fire Escape:* Detroit, $25. *Furnace:* Central Ohio, $10; Des Moines, $10; Detroit, $10; East Ohio, $10; Genesee, $5; Iowa, $10; Minnesota, $5; New Jersey, $5; New York East, $5; Philadelphia, $5; Upper Iowa, $25; West Wisconsin, $5.

Peck School of Domestic Science.—*Salary:* Michigan, $10; Mississippi, $10. *Current Expenses:* California, $10; Lexington, $10; New York East, $10; Ohio, $10; West Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Delaware, $10; Detroit, $12.50; Southwest Kansas, $15; Wilmington, $25; Wisconsin, $50. *Special:* Central Ohio, $50 Illinois, $25; Little Rock, $15; Mississippi, $10; Newark, $100; North Indiana, $50; North Ohio, $10; Northern Minnesota, $5; Northwest Kansas, $25; Oklahoma, $10; Texas, $10; West Virginia, $10; Wyoming, $25. *Building:* Central New York, $1,000; Cincinnati, $5; East Ohio, $50; Indiana, $5; Kansas, $150; Kentucky, $10; Louisiana, $10; Nebraska, $50; New York, $5; New York East, $5; Northwest Indiana, $100; Rock River, $25; Troy, $15; Wash-

ington, $40; Mrs. A. S. Gray, $10. *To Name Hartzell Hall:* Atlanta, Miss F. Mitchell, $10; Central Ohio, Mrs. E. Y. King, $5; Cincinnati, $100; Mrs. G. H. Thompson, $5; Mrs. H. C. Jennings, $10; Mrs. I. D. Jones, $5; Mrs. F. A. Aiken, $10; Des Moines, $25; Iowa, $25; Lexington, $15; Little Rock, Mrs. G. H. Morris, $5; Louisiana, $5; North Indiana, Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, $5; Northern Minnesota, $50; Rock River, Mrs. E. L. Albright, $5; Southern California, $5; West Virginia, $5. *To Name Windows:* Detroit, Mrs. G. O. Robinson, $50; Kansas, $20; Kentucky, Mrs. A. M. Onstott, $10; Louisiana, $10; Southern California, $10; West Texas, $10; Mrs. S. A. Bright, $10. *Furnishings:* Kansas, $50. *To Name Doors:* Kansas, $30.

King Home.—*Salary:* Baltimore, Mrs. O. P. McCarty, $5; Cincinnati, Mrs. W. F. Robertson, $5; East Ohio, $10; Newark, Mrs. Anna Kent, $5. *Domestic Science:* Cincinnati, $25. *Current Expenses:* Iowa, $25; Lexington, $10; New York East, $5; North Indiana, $25; Northern New York, $25; Ohio, $25; Puget Sound, $5; West Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $50; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $50; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $100; Genesee, $20; Indiana, $80; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $50; Nebraska, $25; North Indiana, $25; North Ohio, $10; Northwest Iowa, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10; Wisconsin, $10. *Special:* Detroit, $25, for repairs; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $20; Missouri, $5; Nebraska, $16, for shades; Newark, $20; Mrs. Anna Kent, $5; New York, $5; North Dakota, $10; Northern Minnesota, $30; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Indiana, for repairs, $50; Pittsburgh, Mrs. I. C. McDowell, $10; Rock River, $25; South Kansas, $10; Texas, $200; West Virginia, $10; Wilmington, $10. *Building:* Ohio, $50.

Eliza Dee Home.—*Salary:* Iowa, $25; West Texas, $50. *Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $25. *Student Aid:* Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $50; Genesee, $20; Iowa, $50; Nebraska, $25; North Dakota, $25; North Ohio, $10; Northern Minnesota, $25; Northwest Kansas, $50; Rock River, $25; Upper Iowa, $50; West Texas, $50; West Virginia, $10; Wisconsin, $5. *Special:* Columbia River, $10; Newark, $15; New York, $5; North Indiana, $25; Northern New York, $5; South Kansas, $10; Southern California, $5; Wilmington, $10. *Building:* Central New York, $200; Central Ohio, $10; Colorado, $5; Des Moines, $50; Genesee, $10; Mississippi, Rev. H. May, $5; Northwest Indiana, $100; Ohio, $50; Puget Sound, $10; Upper Iowa, $100; Washington, $30; West Texas, $100. *To Name Library:* Ohio, $200.

Elizabeth Ritter Home.—*Salary:* Northern Minnesota, $325. *Current Expenses:* Genesee, $25; Minnesota, $20; North Indiana, $25; Northern New York, $50; West Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $100; Central Illinois, $50; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Cincinnati, $100; Columbia River, $30; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $255; East Ohio, $100; Erie, $190; Genesee, $25; Illinois, $100; Indiana, $110; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $50; Minnesota, $40; Nebraska, $25; New England, $25; New England Southern, $50; New Hampshire, $25; New Jersey, $100; New York, $25; New York East, $75; North Dakota, $40; North Indiana, $55; North Ohio, $55; Northern Minnesota, $25; Northern New York, $200; Northwest Kansas, $50; Ohio, $25; Philadelphia, $105; Pittsburgh, $60; St. Louis, $10; South Kansas, $90; Wilmington, $50; Wisconsin, $10; Wyoming, $50. *Special:* Oregon, $15; Rock River, $25; Upper Iowa, $25; Vermont, $50; Central Ohio, to name Chapel, $500.

Bennett Home.—*Salary:* California, $10; Des Moines, $25; Erie, $100. *Current Expenses:* Detroit, $25. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $50; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $105; Colorado, $50; Detroit, $50;

East Ohio, $50; Erie, $115; Illinois, $40; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $50; New York, $10; New York East, $125; North Dakota, $50; North Indiana, $90; Northern Minnesota, $25; Northwest Indiana, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oklahoma, $50; Pittsburgh, $15; St. Louis, $50; South Kansas, $50; Southwest Kansas, $30; Upper Iowa, $50; Wisconsin, $10; Wyoming, $150. *Special:* Cincinnati, $10; Des Moines, $25; Genesee, $5; Missouri, $10; New England, $25; North Ohio, $100; Northwest Indiana, $20; South Kansas, furnishing, $25; Upper Iowa, for repairs, $25; Michigan, for improvements, $10.

Bennett Academy.—*Salary:* North Nebraska, $25. *Current Expenses:* Ohio, $125. *Student Aid:* Cincinnati, $50; Erie, $25; Nebraska, $25; New Hampshire, $50. *Special:* West Virginia, $10.

Dickson Hall.—*Current Expenses:* North Indiana, $15; Southwest Kansas, $25. *Special:* Central Illinois, $20; Central Ohio, $10; Des Moines, $10; Erie, $100.

Rebecca McClesky Home.—*Salary:* Central Illinois, $500; Central Ohio, $150; East Ohio, $300; Erie, $35; Pittsburgh, $10. *Current Expenses:* Michigan, $10; Northern New York, $25. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $50; Central Illinois, $300; Central New York, $50; Cincinnati, $180; Colorado, $20; Des Moines, $200; Detroit, $370; East Ohio, $200; Erie, $100; Genesee, $20; Illinois, $150; Indiana, $60; Iowa, $50; Kentucky, $20; Michigan, $50; Minnesota, $5; Montana, $50; Nebraska, $50; New England, $50; New England Southern, $200; New Hampshire, $65; New Jersey, $50; New York, $50; New York East, $260; North Dakota, $50; North Indiana, $250; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $60; Northern New York, $200; Northwest Indiana, $100; Northwest Kansas, $50; Ohio, $50; Philadelphia, $25; Pittsburgh, $10; Rock River, $150; St. Louis, $15; South Kansas, $55; Southwest Kansas, $73; Upper Iowa, $50; Vermont, $50; Wisconsin, $50; Wyoming, $50. *Special:* Central Ohio, $25; Genesee, $15; Nebraska, $10; North Indiana, $200; Upper Iowa, $40, for refrigerator. *Building:* Central Illinois, $100; Cincinnati, $65; New York East, $40; Northern Minnesota, $100; Pittsburgh, $5.

Settlement Work, Cedartown.—*Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $150; Pittsburgh, Mrs. McDowell, $10; Rock River, $25. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $20; Southern Illinois, $75. *Special:* Baltimore, $25; Central Illinois, $5; Erie, $30; Iowa, $25; Illinois, $25; Michigan, $5; Northern Minnesota, $5; Northwest Indiana, $150; Southwest Kansas, $2; Upper Iowa, $50. *Building:* Central New York, $10; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $10; Puget Sound, $25. *To Name Room:* Northwest Indiana, $100.

Ebenezer C. Mitchell Home.—*Salary:* Central Pennsylvania, $50; East Ohio, $200; Indiana, $35; Pittsburgh, $15. *Current Expenses:* Indiana, $10; West Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $50; Central Illinois, $70; Central New York, $100; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Cincinnati, $140; Colorado, $10; Columbia River, $25; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $190; East Ohio, $200; Erie, $160; Genesee, $70; Illinois, $170; Indiana, $90; Q. E. C. of Central Avenue Church, $10; Mrs. W. F. Brown, $15; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $100; Minnesota, $20; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $25; New England Southern, $1,000 for a perpetual scholarship, and $100 Student Aid; New Jersey, $100; New York East, $100; North Dakota, $50; North Indiana, $105; North Nebraska, $150; North Ohio, $15; Northwest Indiana, $100; Ohio, $50; Oklahoma, $20; Philadelphia, $183; Pittsburgh, $50; Puget Sound, $25; Rock River, $25; St. Louis, $100; South Kansas, $15; Southern Illinois, $50; Detroit, $25; Upper Iowa, $100; West Virginia, $50; West Wisconsin, $50; Wisconsin, $5;

Wyoming, $25; Miss Alice M. Gurnsey, for a Sunday School Class in Vermont Conference, $15. *Special:* Columbia River, $15; Genesee, $15; Northern Minnesota, $20; Northwest Indiana, $20; Northwest Kansas, $10; South Kansas. $5; Southern California, $5. *Building:* Central Illinois, $50; Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, $30; New York, $20; West Wisconsin, $10.

Community Schools.—*Salary:* Cincinnati, $5; Michigan, $10; New Jersey, $15; New York East, $10; Rock River, $10; Southwest Kansas, $200. *Current Expenses:* New York East, $25; Northern New York, $50. *Student Aid:* New York, $10; Pittsburgh, $25; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, for Guards and Jewels, $45. *Special:* Central Ohio, $50; Erie, $5; Wilmington, $50.

Highland Work.—*Salary:* New York, $10. *Current Expenses:* New York East, $10. *Student Aid:* Pittsburgh, $50. *Special:* Michigan, $10.

Utah.—*Salary:* Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, for Elsinore, $15; Columbia River, $10; Des Moines, $50; East Ohio, for Provost, $100; Genesee, $15; Illinois, $20; Iowa, $25; Michigan, $50; Minnesota, $5; Nebraska, $5; New Jersey, $10; New York, $10; Pittsburgh, for Spring City, $10; for Morono, $15. *Current Expenses:* California, $10; Central New York, $20; Columbia River, $5; Detroit, $10; Indiana, $15; Nebraska, $10; New England Southern, $10; New York East, $45; North Indiana, $20; North Ohio, $10; Northern New York, $20; Ohio, for Elsinore, $25; Philadelphia, $5; Rock River, $50; Wyoming, $25. *Special:* California, Mrs. G. Robinson, Berkeley, $10; Central Illinois, $25; Central New York, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $25; Erie, $25; Indiana, Mrs. W. F. Brown, $10; Newark, $60; New England, $30; Northern Minnesota, for Elsinore, $5, other stations, $30; Northwest Indiana, $25; Northwest Iowa, $5; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oregon, $25; Philadelphia, $5; Puget Sound, $10; St. Louis, $25; Southern California, $5; Southwest Kansas, $7; Upper Iowa, $50; West Wisconsin, $5; Wilmington, $25; Wisconsin, $5.

Harwood Home and School.—*Salary:* Central Ohio, $150; Illinois, $15; North Nebraska, $10; Upper Iowa, $25; Wisconsin, $10. *Current Expenses:* Genesee, $15; New York, $10; West Wisconsin, $10; Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $50; Central New York, $20; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $70; Columbia River, $15; Des Moines, $60; Detroit, $15; East Ohio, $70; Erie, $110; Indiana, $65; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $90; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $150; New England, $35; New Jersey, $60; New York East, $120; North Dakota, $40; North Indiana, $94; Northern Minnesota, $300; Northern New York, $60; Northwest Kansas, $25; Ohio, $30; Philadelphia, $67; Pittsburgh, $10; Rock River, $50; St. Louis, $40; Southwest Kansas, $48; Troy, $50; Upper Iowa, $25; Wilmington, $25; Wyoming, $20. *Special:* Colorado, $25; Genesee, $10; New York, $50; South Kansas, $15; Southwest Kansas, $5. *For Hospital:* Baltimore, $50.

Rose Gregory Houchen Settlement.—*Current Expenses:* Genesee, $25; Northern New York, $5; West Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Illinois, $5; Indiana. $5; Kansas, $100. *Special:* Baltimore, $50; Detroit, $25; Genesee, $20; Michigan, $100; Newark, $100; North Indiana, $50; Philadelphia, $103; Southwest Kansas, $5; Wisconsin, $10. *Building:* Des Moines, $225; Genesee, $100; North Dakota, $5; Puget Sound, $10; Upper Iowa, $150. *To Name Room:* Northwest Indiana, $100.

Tucson Industrial Home.—*Salary:* East Ohio, $400; Minnesota, $10. *Current Expenses:* Central Ohio, Mrs. F. E. Baldwin, $5; Iowa, $10; Indiana, $10. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $50; Des Moines, $60; De-

troit, $85; Erie, $70; Indiana, $70; Michigan, $35; Minnesota, $80; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $150; New England Southern, $15; New Jersey, $120; New York East, $55; North Ohio, $40; Northern Minnesota, $40; Northern New York, $25; Oklahoma, $25; Philadelphia, $18; Puget Sound, $5; South Kansas, $35; Southern California, $60; Upper Iowa, $70; West Virginia, $10; Wilmington, $30; Wisconsin, $70; Wyoming, $35. *Special:* Columbia River, $20; Erie, $50; Newark, $200; New York, $25; New York East, $10; Northern Minnesota, $50; Northwest Iowa, $10; Northwest Kansas, $15; Oregon, $50; Southwest Kansas, $5; Wyoming, $50. *Building:* Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $20; Ohio, $200; Rock River, $70. *To Name Room:* Northwest Indiana, $100.

Francis DePauw Industrial Home and School.—*Current Expenses:* California, $10; Indiana, $10; Pittsburgh, $10. *Student Aid:* Southern Illinois, $60; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $25; Colorado, $30; Columbia River, $10; Des Moines, $60; Detroit, $60; East Ohio, $60; Erie, $50; Indiana, $60; Iowa, $70; Kansas, $50; Michigan, $10; Newark, $70; New York, $15; New York East, $5; North Indiana, $30; North Nebraska, $30; Ohio, $10; Oklahoma, $60; Southern California, $1,500; Upper Iowa, $60; West Virginia, $5; Wisconsin, $5. *Special:* Central Ohio, $20; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $20; Columbia River, $5; Erie, $20; Genesee, $5; Nebraska, $20; Newark, $20; New England, $10; New Jersey, $10; North Indiana, $30; North Ohio, $50.

Geo. O. Robinson Orphanage.—*Salary:* Baltimore, $50; Des Moines, $25; Detroit, $10; Genesee, Mrs. D. Smith, $5; Michigan, $25; Newark, $105; North Dakota, $15; Northern New York, $300; Southern California, $100. *Current Expenses:* Iowa, $25; Montana, $5; North Indiana, $10; Pittsburgh, Mrs. I. A. McDowell, $15; Rock River, $100; South Kansas, $10. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $150; Central Illinois, $30; Central New York, $30; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $80; Columbia River, $15; Des Moines, $40; Detroit, $12.50; East Ohio, $80; Erie, $40; Illinois, $80; Indiana, $30; Kansas, $200; Michigan, $25; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $150; New England, $20; New England Southern, $40; New Jersey, $40; New York, $25; New York East, $150; North Indiana, $105; Northern Minnesota, $80; Northern New York, $25; Northwest Indiana, $80; Northwest Iowa, $40; Northwest Kansas, $5; Ohio, $40; Oklahoma, $80; Philadelphia, $101; St. Louis, $40; South Kansas, $50; Southern California, $55; Southwest Kansas, $45; Troy, $50; Upper Iowa, $45; West Wisconsin, $55; Wilmington, $40; Wyoming, $40. *Special:* California, $10; Des Moines, $45; Genesee, $20; North Ohio, $50; Oregon, $25; Wisconsin, $10.

McKinley Day School.—*Current Expenses:* Indiana, $10; Pittsburgh, $25; Wyoming, $25. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $10; Central Ohio, $25; Central Pennsylvania, $30; Cincinnati, $10; Des Moines, $15; East Ohio, $45; Erie, $90; Genesee, $15; Illinois, $15; Indiana, $50; Iowa, $25; Michigan, $15; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $75; New England, $25; New England Southern, $50; New Hampshire, $15; New Jersey, $15; New York, $15; New York East, $75; North Dakota, $30; Northern Minnesota, $15; Northern New York, $15; Northwest Indiana, $30; Ohio, $15; St. Louis, $15; South Kansas, $5; Southern Illinois, $15; Southwest Kansas, $25; West Virginia, $10; West Wisconsin, $15; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, for Guards and Jewels, $60. *Special:* Wilmington, $10.

Fisk Day School, Ponce.—*Salary:* Michigan, $15; North Nebraska, $5; Pittsburgh, $5. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $5; Cincinnati, $5; Detroit, $10; Newark, $50; New York, $15; New York East, $15; North Dakota, $15. *Special:* Newark, $200. *Building:* Central New York, $100; New York East, $10.

WILLIAMS DAY SCHOOL, VIEQUES.—*Salary:* Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $5; Genesee, $10. *Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $50; Ohio, $25. *Student Aid:* Columbia River, $5; East Ohio, $10; Iowa, $15; Newark, $75; New York East, $15; North Ohio, $15; Northwest Indiana, $10; Puget Sound, $15; Southwest Kansas, $25; West Virginia, $5; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, from Printer, $10; A Friend, per Miss A. M. Gurnsey, special, $20; Northwest Kansas, $5.

NAVAJO HOME AND SCHOOL.—*Salary:* Central Illinois, $15; Central New York, $30; Lexington, $10. *Current Expenses:* Michigan, $5; New England Southern, $15; Northern New York, $5; Ohio, $25. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $25; California, $20; Central New York, $25; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $65; East Ohio, $200; Indiana, $15; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $80; Newark, $15; New Jersey, $50; New York East, $55; North Dakota, $15; Northern Minnesota, $15; Northwest Indiana, $15; Northwest Iowa, $50; Oklahoma, $50; Philadelphia, $52; Pittsburgh, $10; St. Louis, $25; South Kansas, $25; Southwest Kansas, $108; Troy, $100; Wisconsin, $15. *Special:* Columbia River, $15; Detroit, $50; Erie, $100; Genesee, $20; Louisiana, $5; New England, $25; New Jersey, $15; New York, $25; North Indiana, $40; Northwest Indiana, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oregon, $20; Southwest Kansas, $15; Upper Iowa, $50; Upper Mississippi, $5; from E. L. Rust, Q. E. C., Wilmington, $10. *Building:* Central Ohio, $50; Colorado, $15; Des Moines, $100; Detroit, $500; Indiana, $25; Kansas, $100; Michigan, $10; Nebraska, $25; New Jersey, $10; North Nebraska, $10; North Ohio, $100; Northern New York, $25; Northwest Indiana, $50; Northwest Iowa, $10; Pittsburgh, Mrs. T. S. Lackey, $5; Rock River, $500; West Wisconsin, $20. *Furnace:* Northwest Indiana, $135. *Memorial Hospital:* Troy, $600. *Medical Supplies:* Upper Iowa, $25. *Interpreter:* Indiana, $25; New York, $5; Philadelphia, $10.

PONCA MISSION.—Central Ohio, $25; Detroit, $10; East Ohio, $25; Genesee, $10; Michigan, $10; North Indiana, $12.50; Ohio, $10; Oklahoma, $50; Wilmington, $5.

POTTAWATOMIE MISSION.—*Salary:* Detroit, $10; East Ohio, $25; Illinois, $35; Indiana, $5; Kansas, $250; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $50; New England, $5; New York East, $5; North Indiana, $12.50; North Nebraska, $25; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Kansas, $10; Ohio, $10; St. Louis, $35; South Kansas, $10; Upper Iowa, $25; Wilmington, $5; Wisconsin, $5.

NOOKSACK MISSION.—*Salary:* Central New York, $20; Columbia River, $15; North Dakota, $5; Southern California, $10; Upper Iowa, $25. *Current Expenses:* Columbia River, $5; Indiana, $5; Montana, $5; Pittsburgh, $10; Puget Sound, $100. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $25; Central Illinois, $20; Central Pennsylvania, $20; Cincinnati, $5; Columbia River, $40; Detroit, $40; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $20; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $50; New York East, $70; Northern New York, $15; Northwest Iowa, $50; Northwest Kansas, $5; Ohio, $10; Oregon, $25; Southern California, $20; Wilmington, $5; Wisconsin, $25; Wyoming, $40; Miss. A. M. Gurnsey, Guards and Jewels, $45. *Special:* Central Ohio, $25; Des Moines, 10; East Ohio, $10; Illinois, $5; Northwest Iowa, $10; Pittsburgh, $10. *Building:* Ohio, $25.

GREENVILLE MISSION.—*Salary:* California, $60; Central Illinois, $20; Central New York, $5; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $5; Des Moines, $10; East Ohio, $25; Erie, $10; Iowa, $15; New York, $5; New York East, $15; Northern New York, $5; Ohio, $10; Rock River, $5; Upper Iowa, $25; West Wisconsin, $5; Wilmington, $10.

YUMA MISSION.—*Salary:* Baltimore, $15; California, $10; Central New York, $25; Central Ohio, $10; Cincinnati, $15; Colorado, $15; Columbia River, $5; Des Moines, $10; Detroit, $15; East Ohio, $25; Erie, $15; Genesee, $10; Illinois, $5; Nebraska, $10; Newark, $15; New England, $25; New York East, $20; New York, $10; North Indiana, $20; Northern New York, $10; Northwest Indiana, $5; Northwest Iowa, $10; Ohio, $10; Pittsburgh, $10; Puget Sound, $10; Rock River, $10; South Kansas, $5; Southern California, $815; Southwest Kansas, $10; Upper Iowa, $25; West Virginia, $10. *Current Expenses:* Southern California, $100. *Dispensary:* Michigan, $10; New York, $5; Wilmington, $10. *Sewing Machine:* New Jersey Conference; Wisconsin Conference.

JESSE LEE HOME.—*Salary:* Baltimore, $25; Illinois, $100; Puget Sound, $50. *Current Expenses:* California, $10; New Hampshire, $10; Northern New York, $25; Pittsburgh, $25; Puget Sound, $30; South Kansas, $5; Troy, $50. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $110; Central Illinois, $20; Central Ohio, $75; Central Pennsylvania, $70; Cincinnati, $10; Colorado, $85; Columbia River, $30; Des Moines, $60; Detroit, $70; East Ohio, $70; Erie, $60; Genesee, $20; Indiana, $130; Iowa, $70; Kansas, $60; Minnesota, $35; Montana, $60; Nebraska, $50; Newark, $25; New England, $30; New England Southern, $30; New Hampshire, $50; New Jersey, $60; New York, $20; New York East, $105; North Indiana, $60; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $240; Northern New York, $50; Northwest Indiana, $140; Northwest Iowa, $60; Northwest Kansas, $15; Ohio, $60; Oregon, $50; Philadelphia, $138; Pittsburgh, $85; Puget Sound, $120; Rock River, $100; South Kansas, $10; Southern California, $100; Southwest Kansas, $70; West Virginia, $25; West Wisconsin, $25; Wilmington, $25; Wisconsin, $40; Wyoming, $100. *Special:* Central New York, $25; Illinois, $10; New England, $15; North Indiana, $20; North Nebraska, $25; South Kansas, $15; Southwest Kansas, $135; Upper Mississippi, $5. *Hospital:* Baltimore, $25; East Ohio, $100; Upper Iowa, $50. *Fuel:* Columbia River, $5. *Pumping Plant:* Detroit, $12.50; New England, $25; Southern California, $10; Mrs. E. L. Knostman, $10.

SINUK MISSION.—*Salary:* Central Illinois, $10; Central New York, $10; Cincinnati, $10; Detroit, $10; East Ohio, $20; Little Rock, Mrs. Nasmyth, $5; New York East, $5; North Dakota, $25; Northern Minnesota, $45; Northern New York, $20; Northwest Indiana, $10; Northwest Iowa, $5; Pittsburgh, $10; Troy, $50; Upper Iowa, $25; West Wisconsin, $5; Wisconsin, Mrs. John Taylor, $5. *Current Expenses:* California, $10; East Ohio, $50; Indiana, $10; Minnesota, $15; New England, $25; Northern New York, $15; Ohio, $25; Puget Sound, $100; Southern California, $100. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $25; Central Illinois, $10; Columbia River, $30; Detroit, $100; Indiana, $125; Iowa, $70; Kansas, $40; Michigan, $25; Minnesota, $15; Nebraska, $50; New Hampshire, $25; New Jersey, $60; New York, $10; New York East, $45; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $65; Northwest Indiana, $60; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oklahoma, $20; Oregon, $50; Philadelphia, $24; St. Louis, $90; Southern California, $100; West Virginia, $10; Wisconsin, $15. *Special:* Columbia River, $5; Erie, $10; Illinois, $10; Missouri, $5; North Indiana, $20; Northern Minnesota, $25; Southwest Kansas, $120; Watts de Peyster Mothers' Jewels, $5. *Building:* Central Tennessee, $30; New York, $5; Ohio, $50. *Laundry:* Central Ohio, $25; Michigan, $15. *Reindeer:* Genesee, $10; Northern Minnesota, $5.

EXTENSION OF THE WORK TO NOME.—*Salary:* Northern Minnesota, $480. *Board:* Baltimore, Harlem Park Sunday School Class, $5; Central Illinois, $5; Cincinnati, $5; Michigan, $10; New Jersey, $10; North

Dakota, $10; Northern New York, $5; Southwest Kansas, $10. *Rent:* East Ohio, $10; Indiana, Capital Avenue Church, $10 (Personal); North Indiana, $10; New York East, $10; North Nebraska, $5.

Chinese Work, San Francisco.—*Salary:* Central New York, $20; Des Moines, $180; South Kansas, $10. *Bible Reader:* Central New York, $15. *Current Expenses:* California, $1,000; Indiana, $10; Northern New York, $40; Northwest Iowa, $10; South Kansas, $10; Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $160; Columbia River, $15; Detroit, $15; East Ohio, $45; Illinois, $60; Indiana, $90; Iowa, $70; Michigan, $20; Newark, $25; New England, $35; New York East, $40; North Indiana, $95; North Ohio, $50; Northern Minnesota, $40; Northern New York, $15; Northwest Indiana, $70; Northwest Iowa, $70; Northwest Kansas, $50; Ohio. $35; Oregon, $25; Philadelphia, $10; Rock River, $50; Wisconsin, $10; Wyoming, $70. *Kindergarten:* Central Illinois, $30; Cincinnati, $15; Genesee, $15; Illinois, $15; Nebraska, $30; New Jersey, $30; Northern Minnesota, $45; Northwest Indiana, $45; Ohio, $15; St. Louis, $45; South Kansas, $15; West Wisconsin, $15. *Special:* Central New York, $25; Columbia River, $10; North Indiana, $400; North Ohio, $50; Philadelphia, $25; South Kansas, $20; Southern California, $50; Southwest Kansas, $33; Wilmington, $50; Wyoming, $100. *Building:* Central Illinois, $250; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $35; Des Moines, $500; East Ohio, $100; New Jersey, $10; New York, $10; New York East, $25; Northwest Indiana, $250; Rock River, $100; St. Louis, $50; South Kansas, $10. *Furnishing Room:* West Wisconsin, $150.

Chinese Work, Los Angeles.—*Bible Reader:* California, Mrs. J. E. Piatt, $30; Central New York, $10; Des Moines, Mrs. May Stickler, $15; East Ohio, $15; Erie, $15; Nebraska, $15; North Dakota, $15; Southern California, $15; Southwest Kansas, $15.

Japanese and Korean Work, San Francisco.—*Salary:* Central Ohio, $25; Southern California, $500. *Current Expenses:* California, $1,000; Northern New York, $20; Southern California, $100. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $60; Central New York, $25; Des Moines, $60; Detroit, $35; East Ohio, $45; Illinois, $50; Iowa, $50; Michigan, $10; Minnesota, $30; Nebraska, $50; New England, $35; New Jersey, $60; New York East, $67.50; North Indiana, $85; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $20; Northwest Indiana, $60; Northwest Kansas, $50; Ohio, $30; Oregon, $15; Philadelphia, $70; Southern California, $60; Wyoming, $60; Miss Gurnsey, for Guards and Jewels, $50. *Special:* Central Ohio, $25; Colorado, Mrs. J. A. Johnson, $5; New York, $20; Rock River, $10; South Kansas, $10; Southern California, $10. *Building:* California, $5; East Ohio, $100; Newark, $10; Pittsburgh, $5. *Kindergarten:* Central Illinois, $30; Des Moines, $15; Genesee, $15; New Jersey, $15; Northern Minnesota, $15; Northwest Indiana, $30; Southern California, from Frances DePauw Home, $5.

Jane Couch Memorial Home.—*Salary:* North Dakota, $5; Michigan, $5. *Current Expenses:* Genesee, $10; Michigan, $5; North Indiana, $5; Philadelphia, $5; West Virginia, $5. *Student Aid:* Colorado, $10; Michigan, $20; Northwest Indiana, $5; Southern California, from the Frances DePauw Home, $5; Southwest Kansas, $3. *Special:* Erie, $28.50; Newark, $10; New England, $10; New York, $5; Northern Minnesota, $50; Northwest Kansas, $10.

Susannah Wesley Home and School, Honolulu.—*Salary:* Illinois, $50; Michigan, $10; Minnesota, $5; North Indiana, $20; Northern Minnesota, $5. *Current Expenses:* Iowa, $10; Michigan, $5; Montana, $5; Ohio, $25; West Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $60; Central

Illinois, $85; Central New York, $10; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $25; Des Moines, $60; Detroit, $10; East Ohio, $120; Genesee, $10; Indiana, $35; Iowa, $35; Kansas, $100; Michigan, $25; Nebraska, $25; New England, $15; New York, $15; New York East, $10; North Dakota, $10; North Indiana, $90; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $20; Northern New York, $35; Northwest Indiana, $60; Northwest Iowa, $10; Northwest Kansas, $10; Oklahoma, $15; Oregon, $25; Philadelphia, $10; Pittsburgh, $25; Rock River, $10; St. Louis, $120; Southern California, $60; Troy, $25; Upper Iowa, $45; West Wisconsin, $10. *Kindergarten:* Des Moines, $15; East Ohio, $45; Michigan, $15; New York East, $15; Southwest Kansas, $15. *Special:* Colorado, $15; Erie, $20; Genesee, $25; Missouri, $5; New York, $10; North Indiana, $50; Northern Minnesota, $100; Rock River, $50; Southwest Kansas, $100.

Catherine Blaine Home, Seattle.—*Salary:* Puget Sound, $400. *Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $25; Illinois, $5; Iowa, $40; North Indiana, $10; Ohio, $5; Pittsburgh, $5; Puget Sound, $200; Rock River, $15; South Kansas, $5; Southwest Kansas, $10. *Student Aid:* Michigan, $20. *Special:* Baltimore, $10; Central New York, $10; Central Ohio, $25; Colorado, $10; Columbia River, $75; Missouri, $10; Northwest Iowa, $10; Southern California, $10; Upper Iowa, $25; Wisconsin, $10. *Building:* Central Illinois, $10; Cincinnati, $10; Michigan, $10; New York, $10; New York East, $10; Northwest Indiana, $10; Pittsburgh, $5.

Immigrant Work, New York City.—*Salary:* Illinois, $25; New Jersey, $15; Wisconsin, $10. *Rent:* Michigan, $5. *Current Expenses:* Baltimore, $25; Central Illinois, $25; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $10; Des Moines, $25; Genesee, $25; Indiana, $35; Iowa, $50; Kansas, $50; Michigan, $25; Minnesota, $10; Nebraska, $50; Newark, $50; New York, $300; New York East, $120; North Ohio, $25; Northern New York, $40; Ohio, $50; Oregon, $15; Pittsburgh, $15; South Kansas, $10; Southwest Kansas, $90; Troy, $50; Wyoming, $25.

Immigrant Work, East Boston.—*Special:* Atlanta, $10; Baltimore, Mrs. McClune, $5; California, $10; Central Illinois, $50; Central New York, $100; Columbia River, $5; Detroit, $25; Erie, $100; Genesee, $15; Indiana, $125; Missouri, $10; Montana, $10; New York, $10; North Dakota, $20; Ohio, $25; Oklahoma, $50; Oregon, $15; Pittsburgh, $10; South Kansas, $10; Southwest Kansas, $81; Vermont, $50; West Virginia, $25; West Wisconsin, $15; Wilmington, $25; Wyoming, $25. *Building:* Baltimore, $5; Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, $5; Central New York, $150; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $47; Colorado, $10; Columbia River, $5; Des Moines, $150; East Ohio, $100; Illinois, $25; Indiana, $25; Iowa, $10; Kansas, $50; Michigan, $100; Minnesota, $50; Newark, $50; New England Southern, $300; New Hampshire, $135; New Jersey, $200; New York, $110; New York East, $10; North Dakota, $5; North Indiana, $100; North Nebraska, $30; North Ohio, $100; Northern New York, $10; Northwest Indiana, $100; Northwest Iowa, $25; Northwest Kansas, $10; Pacific Coast German Conference, $5.50; Ohio, $25; Puget Sound, $25; Rock River, $60; South Kansas, $18; Southern California, $10; Upper Iowa, $150; West Virginia, $5; Wisconsin, $10; Wyoming, $100.

Immigrant Work, Philadelphia.—Nebraska, $25; Philadelphia, $120.

Immigrant Work, New Orleans.—Northwest Kansas, $25.

Immigrant Work, San Pedro.—Southern California Conference, $300.

Immigrant Work, Puget Sound.—Southwest Kansas, $2.

Immigrant Work, San Francisco.—South Kansas, $10.

Immigrant Work, Seattle.—*Special:* Des Moines, $50; Kansas, $100; Northern Minnesota, $100. *Building:* Central Alabama, $25.

Mothers' Jewels Home and School, York, Neb.—*Salary:* Lexington, $5; North Indiana, $40; North Nebraska, $100; Northern New York, $5; Pittsburgh, $5; Upper Iowa, $25. *Current Expenses:* California, $5; Illinois, $10; Nebraska, $400; New York East, $7.50; Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $15; Central Illinois, $30; Central New York, $30; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $100; Cincinnati, $10; Des Moines, $50; Detroit, $35; East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $15; Iowa, $60; Michigan, $35; Nebraska, $100; Newark, $10; New England Southern, $25; New Jersey, $25; North Dakota, $5; North Indiana, $25; North Nebraska, $100; North Ohio, $15; Northern New York, $50; Northwest Indiana, $50; Northwest Kansas, $25; Ohio, $25; St. Louis, $65; Southern California, $10; Southwest Kansas, $55; Wilmington, $25; Wyoming, $50. *Special:* Central Ohio, $10; Columbia River, $5; Des Moines, $50; Kansas, $50; New England, $15; New York, $5; Northwest Iowa, $25; Oregon, $5; Rock River, $5; South Kansas, $25. *Furnace:* East Ohio, $5; Philadelphia, Mrs. K. S. Burnett, $5. *Fire Escape:* New Hampshire, $10. *Building and Repairs:* Cincinnati, $10; Detroit, $10; Iowa, $10; Nebraska, $500; New York East, $5; Southwest Kansas, $10; Troy, $10; Wyoming, $25.

Watts De Peyster Home and School.—*Current Expenses:* Detroit, $25; Michigan, $15; New England Southern, $5; Home Guards, $5. *Student Aid:* Central Pennsylvania, $70; Detroit, $50; Mrs. W. Fruit, $5; Florida, $40; Genesee, $15; Michigan, $30; Nebraska, $25; Mothers' Jewels Home, $5; Newark, $120; New England, $30; New England Southern, $40; New Jersey, $10; New York, $1,600; New York East, $100; North Indiana, $15; Northern New York, $70; Northwest Kansas, $10; Philadelphia, $126; Pittsburgh, Mrs. I. A. McDowell, for Bradley Home, $10; Rock River, $5; Southern California, $10; Southwest Kansas, $5; Troy, $250; Wisconsin, $15; Wyoming, $80; Miss A. M. Gurnsey, Guards and Jewels, $10. *Special:* California, Miss Ruth Robinson, Berkeley, $5; East Ohio, Mrs. C. C. Waltenbaush, Canton, $5; Genesee, $15; New Jersey, $5; Northwest Indiana, $20; Rock River, $5; Southern California, from David and Margaret Home, $5. *Furnishings:* Central Ohio, $25.

Elizabeth A. Bradley Home.—*Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, Mrs. W. F. Robertson, $5; Genesee, $20; North Indiana, $15; Philadelphia, $5. *Student Aid:* Newark, $50; New York, $10; North Dakota, $5. *Special:* Central Ohio, $10; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $5; Cincinnati, Mrs. I. D. Jones, $5; Mrs. G. H. Thompson, $5; Mrs. W. F. Robertson, $5; Detroit, Mrs. H. Dennis, $5; Pittsburgh, $5,000.

Cunningham Children's Home.—*Salary:* Central New York, $50; New York East, $10. *Current Expenses:* East Ohio, $25; Iowa, $25; Minnesota, $10; Nebraska, $25; Pittsburgh, $10; St. Louis, $30; Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Central Ohio, $25; Columbia River, $10; Detroit, $45; Genesee, $10; Nebraska, $25; New York, $5; North Dakota, $25; North Indiana, $5; North Ohio, $10; Northwest Kansas, $10; Pittsburgh, $10; Puget Sound, $10; Southwest Kansas, $10; Wisconsin, $15. *Special:* Central Illinois, $50; Des Moines, $25; Erie, $25; Genesee, $10; Kansas, $50; Lexington, $5; New England, $10; New York East, $10; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Iowa, $5; Rock River, $200; Southern Illinois, $25. *Building:* Central Illinois, $10; Illinois, $1,800; Northwest Indiana, $25. *To Name Window:* Indiana, $10.

David and Margaret Home.—*Salary:* Southern California, $1,000,

Current Expenses: Columbia River, $5; Southern California, $2,500. *Student Aid:* Southern California, $1,500.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—*Current Expenses:* Central Illinois, $25; East Ohio, $50; Genesee, $25; Northern New York, $100. *Student Aid:* Baltimore, $250; Central New York, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $125; Cincinnati, $125; Detroit, $147.50; East Ohio, $125; Erie, $40; Genesee, $275; Illinois, $125; Indiana, $380; Minnesota, $5. *For Porto Rico Girls:* $50; Nebraska, $25; Newark, $250; New England Southern, $50; New Jersey, $100; New York, $100; North Indiana, $250; North Ohio, $137; Northern New York, $125; Northwest Indiana, $125; Ohio, $250; Philadelphia, $168; Pittsburgh, $20; Central Illinois, $125; Southwest Kansas, $170; Bloomington, $125; Wyoming, $50. *Special:* Indiana, $25; New England, $50; Northwest Kansas, $50; South Kansas, $10; Wilmington, $25. *Refurnishing Room:* Vermont, $50. *Rust Hall:* Detroit, $35. *Robinson Hall:* Kansas, $100. *Building:* West Virginia, $10.

Fisk Hall, Kansas City, Mo.—*Current Expenses:* Blue Ridge, $10; East Ohio, $50; Iowa, $25; Ohio, $15; St. Louis, $269. *Student Aid:* Central Illinois, $25; Central Pennsylvania, $5; East Ohio, $65; Illinois, $50; Michigan, $10; New York, $25; North Indiana, $62.50; North Nebraska, $125; Northern Minnesota, $220; Oklahoma, $100; Philadelphia, $49; St. Louis, $100; South Kansas, $215; Southern Illinois, $125; Upper Iowa, $50. *Special:* Nebraska, $75; Northwest Iowa, $200; St. Louis, $400. *Building:* Cincinnati, $150; Minnesota, $15; Nebraska, $150; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Kansas, $150; Oklahoma, $150; Rock River, $10. *To Name Room:* Central New York, $100; Cincinnati, Mrs. I. D. Jones, $150; Erie, $100. *To Name Window:* Central New York, $10; Columbia River, $10; Erie, $20; Indiana, $10; A Friend, $10; North Indiana, $10; Philadelphia, $10; South Kansas, $50.

Bible Training School, San Francisco.—*Current Expenses:* Detroit, $10. *Student Aid:* Central New York, $20; Columbia River, $5; North Indiana, $35; Oregon $75; Southern California, $300; Upper Iowa, $50.

McCrum Slavonic Training School.—*Salary:* New England, $25; Pittsburgh Young People, $100; Christ Church, Pittsburgh, $100. *Current Expenses:* Colorado, $10. *Student Aid:* California, $10; Central Illinois, $50; Central New York, $25; Central Ohio, $25; Cincinnati, $10; East Ohio, $50; Michigan, $25; Nebraska, $50; Northern New York, $5; Northwest Kansas, $10; Pittsburgh, Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, $100; Mrs. McCrum, $100; Mrs. S. W. Davis, $100; Pittsburgh Conference, $195; Pittsburgh Conference (?) in memory of Mrs. Stone, $100; Puget Sound, $5; Rock River, $10; West Virginia, $100. *Special:* Des Moines, $15; Detroit, $25; Erie, $50; Illinois, $25; Missouri, $5; North Ohio, $50; Northwest Indiana, $5; Pittsburgh, $15; Upper Iowa, $50; Wilmington, $25.

Colored Training School.—*Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, $15; East Ohio, $50; Little Rock, $10; Mississippi, $10; New York, $5; Northwest Indiana, $5; Southwest Kansas, $10; Wisconsin, $5. *Student Aid:* Central New York, $5; Pittsburgh, $5; Wyoming, $25. *Special:* Central Illinois, $25; Central Ohio, $10; Colorado, $10; Des Moines, $15; Kentucky, Mrs. A. M. Onstott, $5; New York, $10; North Indiana, $10; Puget Sound, $10; St. Louis, $5; Southern California, $5; Upper Iowa, $50. *Building:* Rock River, $50. *Furnishings:* Baltimore, Mrs. W. P. Thirkield, $5; Detroit, $10; Genesee, $10; Indiana, $9.50. *Range:* West Texas, $10; Wyoming, $10.

HOSPITALS.

BURGE.—St. Louis, $340; Upper Iowa, $50.

BETH-EL.—Newark, $50; Upper Iowa, $50.

SIBLEY.—Baltimore, $3,000; New Jersey (to name bed), $10.

GRAHAM.—California, $10; Erie, $25; Illinois, $10; Iowa, $300; Minnesota, $10; North Dakota, $5; Northwest Iowa, $25; Upper Iowa (to name room), $150; Wisconsin, $10.

INDIANA.—North Indiana Conference, $600.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—Conference, $10,000.

BANCROFT REST HOME.—Baltimore, $25; Central Pennsylvania, $10; Genesee, $15; Newark, $50; New Jersey, $25; New York, $30; New York East, $25; North Indiana, $25; Philadelphia, $20.30; Rock River, $25; Wyoming, $25.

THOMPSON REST HOME.—Baltimore, $25; New York, $10.

BEULAH REST HOME.—New York, $20.

WING REST HOME.—Pittsburgh, $10; Southern California, $300.

ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.—*Salary:* Central New York, $20; Chicago German Conference, $5; Illinois, $50; Minnesota, $5; Southwest Kansas, $5. *Jewish Work—Salary:* Central Ohio, $25; Michigan, $20; Northern New York, Helen A. Seymour, $5; Northwest Indiana, $50; South Kansas, $20. *Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, $5; Columbia, $5; Iowa, $50; North Dakota, $5; Ohio, $10; Puget Sound, $5; West Wisconsin, $10. *Student Aid:* Michigan, $10; Nebraska, $25; Northwest Kansas, $5; Pittsburgh, $10; Southwest Kansas, $10; Wisconsin, $25. *Special:* Baltimore, $5; Central Illinois, $100; Central Ohio, $25; Des Moines, $50; Erie, $25; Kansas, $100; Nebraska, $10; New York, $5; North Indiana, $40; North Ohio, $5; Northwest Iowa, $10; South Kansas, $10; Southern California, $5; Southern Illinois, $100; West Virginia, $5. *Hospital:* Cincinnati, Mrs. I. D. Jones, $5; Cincinnati, $10; New York East, $5; Northwest Indiana, $5; Oklahoma, $5; Upper Iowa, $25. *Furnishings:* Columbia River, $5. *Building:* South Kansas, $10. *Day Nursery:* Indiana, $10; North Indiana, $10. *Marcy Home and Rock River Conference Missions:* Rock River, $10,000.

GLENN HOME.—*Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, $200. *Mill Street Work in Cincinnati:* West Virginia, $5.

HULL STREET SETTLEMENT AND MEDICAL MISSION.—*Salary:* North Dakota, $5. *Current Expenses:* Cincinnati, $20; Detroit, $10; Erie, $25; Indiana, $20; New England Southern, $50; New Hampshire, $25; Northern New York, $25; Ohio, $25; Pittsburgh, $20; Wyoming, $10. *Special:* Central New York, $10; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $15; Michigan, $25; Nebraska, $25; New Jersey, $10; New York, $15; North Indiana, $20; North Ohio, $25; Northern Minnesota, $25; Northwest Iowa, $10; Oregon, $10; Rock River, $15; Southern California, $5; Upper Iowa, $25. *Building:* Atlanta, $10; East Ohio, $25.

CITY MISSION WORK IN PORTLAND, ORE.—Columbia River Conference, $10; Oregon, $500.

ITALIAN WORK.

BARRE, VT.—Rock River, $10; Vermont, $500.

NEW CASTLE.—Erie, $100.

UTICA.—Northern New York, $1,000; Michigan, $10.

Northern Minnesota.—Northern Minnesota Conference, $100.

Youngstown, Ohio.—East Ohio Conference, $100.

Tacoma, Wash.—Columbia River, $10.

Southwest Kansas.—Southwest Kansas Conference, $200.

Kingston, Pa.—Wyoming Conference, $50.

Siloam Springs.—Arkansas, Adeline Smith Home, from Home Guards, $5; Northwest Indiana, $10.

Barre Mission.—Vermont, $500.

CONFERENCE WORK.

Hazleton, Pa.—Central New York, $35; Kansas, $100.

New Castle, Pa.—Erie, $100.

Pittsburgh Conference.—Salaries of Missionaries in Coke Regions, $1,000.

Kentucky.—$200.

Italian Work in Providence, R. I.—New England Southern, $100.

Italian Work in London, Conn.—New England Southern, $125.

Northern Minnesota.—Indian Work, $125.

Puget Sound Conference.—Tacoma Settlement Work. *Salary:* $600. *Current Expenses:* $400.

Southern California Conference.—San Diego Mission, $500.

Southwest Kansas Conference.—Travelers' Aid, Wichita, $18.

Upper Iowa Conference.—Bohemian, $100; Silent Work, $100; Conference Work, $100. (Mrs.) S. J. Turner, *Secretary of Finance.*

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1900.

WITH VERBAL CHANGES, AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGERS IN NEW YORK CITY, NOVEMBER, 1901.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be known as the "Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute in all sections of our country, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational, missionary, and deaconess work.

ARTICLE III.—ORGANIZATION.

Section 1. This Society shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio. The headquarters and principal offices of the Society shall be in the city of Cincinnati. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Managers (twenty-one in all), who together shall constitute the Board of Trustees. There shall also be seven Associate Managers, who, with the Secretaries of Bureaus, shall be entitled to sit with the Board of Trustees and participate in its deliberations.

Sec. 2. Vacancies in the Board of Trustees occurring *ad interim* shall be filled by the Board.

Sec. 3. The regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held in January, May, and September. Also in connection with the Annual Meetings of the Board of Managers. Special executive meetings may be held at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and eleven shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 4. The duties of the Board of Trustees shall be:

(1) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2) To determine all matters referred to it by the Board of Managers.

(3) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

Sec. 5. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided. The Board of Managers shall consist of the Board of Trustees and such of the following persons as shall be in attendance at the Annual Meeting, viz.: The Associate Managers, the President Emeritus, the Secretaries of Bureaus, the Field Secretaries, the Chairmen of Standing Committees appointed or confirmed by the Society at its Annual Meeting, the Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions*, the Editor of *Children's Home Missions*, the Editor of the Annual Report, and the Corresponding Secretary of and one delegate from each Conference Society, the Secretary of Young People's Department, and the Secretary of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels; also one delegate representing Young People's Work from each Conference Society having ten or more Young People's organizations.

Sec. 6. The work of the Annual Meeting shall be:

(1) To elect the officers of the Society and the Associate Managers as indicated in Section 1.

(2) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society; to receive the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, of Secretaries of Bureaus, of Conference Secretaries, and Standing Committees; to determine the fields of labor; to estimate the needs of the various fields, and to make appropriations for the ensuing year.

(3) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all its plans and estimates be in harmony with the Constitution.

Sec. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

Sec. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission fields, to correspond with the Bureau and Conference Secretaries, and to secure from them such details of their work as will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Board of Trustees, and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission fields.

Sec. 9. The Treasurer shall keep an account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society and make a report of the same at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, and at each regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. She shall pay the appropriations made by the Board of Managers, and such bills as the Board of Trustees may approve. The accounts shall be audited by a committee elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE V.—Conference Organization.

Section 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

Sec. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary (who may also be Treasurer), a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and Secretaries of such departments as the Conference may adopt. These officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, and hold office till others are chosen. The Conference Officers, together with the President, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer of the districts, the District Secretaries of Young People's Work and Superintendent of Deaconess Homes, shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. The Bureau Secretaries residing within the bounds of a Conference shall be *ex-officio* members of the Conference Executive Board.

Sec. 3. The duties of the Executive Board of the Conference Society

shall be: To plan for the establishment and growth of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange Anniversary exercises; to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action be in harmony with this Constitution.

Sec. 4. The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary and other officers in organizing and conducting the work.

Sec. 5. The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to create interest in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference; to conduct the correspondence of the Society; to forward quarterly to the General Corresponding Secretary a statement of the work of the Conference Society (as per blank provided); and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at its Annual Meeting.

Sec. 6. The duty of the Treasurer shall be to receive and to forward quarterly to the General Treasurer the funds of the Society.

Sec. 7. Special Work. Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the Board of Trustees, raise special funds for the purchase of property, for the building or care of Homes, for the support of teachers, deaconesses, or pupils in the schools or Homes of the Society.

ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

Any number of women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society Auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate for every twenty members to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, provided that each auxiliary shall have one delegate.

ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership in the Society, and the payment of twenty dollars life membership. The payment of one dollar annually by a gentleman shall constitute an *honorary membership*. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life. The payment of one dollar annually for a deceased friend shall constitute a *memorial membership*. The payment of twenty dollars a perpetual *"in memoriam."*

ARTICLE VII.

Young women paying annual dues of $1, with ten cents Contingent Fund, may be organized into Young Woman's Auxiliaries. Young people paying five cents a month (fifty cents annually for General and ten cents for Contingent Fund) may be organized into Queen Esther Circles, and may be under the supervision of an older person called a Director.

Conferences having ten or more Young People's organizations may elect a young woman as a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The payment of fifteen dollars ($15) shall constitute a Queen Esther life membership.

ARTICLE VIII.

1. Young people under fourteen may be organized into Home Guards under the Constitution provided.

2. Children may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.

3. The payment of $10 shall constitute a Junior life membership for those fourteen years old or younger.

ARTICLE IX.—Relation to Other Branches of Church Work.

Section 1. This Society shall engage in educational, missionary, and deaconess labor, exclusively in our own land, and shall work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

The missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society and, if in a Mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular Mission.

Sec. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collection, nor by subscription taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

Sec. 3. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the ensuing year, shall be so arranged that its fields of labor, its general plans of work, and its appropriations may be submitted to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church for approval at its Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution, except Article IX, may be amended by the Board of Managers at its Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, three months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in *Woman's Home Missions.*

Amendments to Article IX may be proposed as above, but to become effective must be approved by the General Conference.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, which shall occur on the third Wednesday of October. The place of the meeting shall be fixed at the previous meeting of the Board of Managers; if not provided for, it shall be determined by this Committee, who shall announce the time and place in the Church papers.

2. All officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot in open session.

3. Honorary Vice-Presidents shall be elected by acclamation by the Board of Managers on nomination by the Board of Trustees. They shall be entitled to all privileges of the body except the vote.

4. The Editor and Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions* and of *Children's Home Missions* shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the Board of Managers.

5. General Organizers shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and elected by the Board of Managers.

6. There shall be the following Standing Committees: On Mothers' Jewels Home, Glenn Home, Marcy Home, Watts de Peyster Home, the several Deaconess Homes, on Rest Homes; Japanese Work on the Pacific Coast and in the Hawaiian Islands; and on Publication, Mite-boxes, and Day of Humiliation and Prayer. The Committees on Homes named, except Rest Homes, shall be nominated by their respective local Boards and confirmed by the Board of Managers; the Committee on Rest Homes, Japanese Work on the Pacific Coast and in the Hawaiian Islands, on Literature, on Day of Humiliation and Prayer, and on Temperance, shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

7. For the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers printed instructions shall be prepared and presented to the delegates on the morning of the election or on one day previous to the election.

8. Every Conference sending delegates to the meeting of the Board of Managers shall pay to the Committee on Arrangements of the entertaining city ten dollars ($10) for each Conference Secretary and each delegate. The money to be sent to the local committee with the names of the delegation. The expenses of the entertainment of the General Officers, Trustees, Associate Managers, Bureau Secretaries, Field Secretaries, Publishers and Editors of *Woman's Home Missions, Children's Home Missions*, and *Convention Daily*, two heads of department, Editor of General Publications, Secretary of Finance, missionaries and deaconesses, together with the Chairmen of Standing Committees, as published in the Annual Report, and invited speakers on the program, shall be met by the city entertaining the convention, together with all other expenses of entertainment.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. The mission fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau and elected by the Board of Trustees. The Bureau for Young People's Work shall consist of two Associate Secretaries (one to supervise Young Women's Auxiliaries and Home Mission Circles, the other to supervise Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels), one or more Field Secretaries, and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretaries of the Bureau and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Colored Work in Georgia, (2) Florida, (3) East Central States, (4) West Central States; (5) White Work in Mississippi and Tennessee; (6) Colored Work in Mississippi, (7) West

Southern States, (8) Texas; (9) White Work in Alabama, North Carolina, and Georgia, (10) Utah, (11) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), (12) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (13) Pacific Coast Indian Bureau; (14) Alaska; (15) Immigrants; (16) Eastern Deaconess; (17) Central Deaconess; (18) Western Deaconess; (19) Pacific Coast Deaconess; (20) Bureau for Supervision of Colored Deaconesses; (21) Chinese Work; (22) Japanese and Korean Work; (23) Porto Rico; (24) Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast; (25) Mission Supplies; (26) Department of Young People's Work and Department of Home Guards and Mothers' Jewels; (27) Home Missionary Reading Circle; (28) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau of Colored Work in Georgia shall supervise the colored work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for West Central States shall supervise the colored work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for White Work in Mississippi and Tennessee shall supervise the white work of the Society in those States.

9. The Bureau for Colored Work in Mississippi shall supervise the colored work of the Society in that State.

10. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

11. The Bureau for White Work in Alabama, North Carolina, and Georgia shall supervise the white work in those States.

12. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian). and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

13. The Pacific Coast Indian Bureau shall supervise the work of the Society at Stickney Home, Ukiah, and at Yuma Missions.

14. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial School for immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

15. The Bureau for Chinese Work shall supervise the work of the Society among the Chinese.

16. The Bureau for Japanese and Korean Work shall supervise the work of the Society among the Japanese and Koreans on the Pacific Coast and Hawaii.

17. The Bureau for Porto Rico shall supervise the work of the Society in the Porto Rican mission field.

18. The Bureau for Spanish Work on the Pacific Coast shall supervise the work of the Society for the Spanish people on that coast.

19. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

20. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Auxiliaries and Churches furnishing supplies to meet the needs of missionary work recognized by the Woman's Home Missionary Society may be credited for the same through the Bureau for Supplies.

21. It shall be the duty of the Department of Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Women's Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles. It shall be the duty of the Department of Home Guards to organize Home Guards and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

22. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

23. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circles and Mission Study Classes shall co-operate with the Secretary of Literature in the supervision and preparation of courses of missionary reading and the organization of Reading Circles and Mission Study Classes. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

24. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

25. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the Board of Trustees, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

DEPARTMENT OF DEACONESS WORK.

26. All Deaconess Institutions under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be associated together in a Department of Deaconess Work.

(*a*) This department shall be under the supervision of a General Superintendent. It shall consist of seven bureaus; the bureaus to be known as the Bureau for National Training Schools, the Eastern, Central, Western, Pacific Coast, for the supervision of colored deaconesses, and the Bureau for Hospitals.

(*b*) The Executive Committee of the Department shall consist of a General Superintendent and a Bureau for National Training Schools; the Secretaries of the several Deaconess Bureaus, together with two representatives from the Executive Committee of each Deaconess Institution.

(*c*) The duty of the Executive Committee shall be the establishment and general supervision of all Training Schools and Deaconess Institutions under the auspices of the Society.

(*d*) The Bureau for Training Schools shall supervise the National Training Schools and such Deaconesses of the other Training Schools as are engaged in the general work of the Society.

(*e*) The Eastern Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training Schools, east of the Genesee, Pittsburgh, and West Virginia Conferences.

(*f*) The Central Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training Schools, in the Genesee, Pittsburgh, and West Virginia Conferences and as far west as the eastern boundary of Illinois.

(*g*) The Western Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training Schools, situated between the eastern boundary of Illinois and the western boundary of Colorado.

(*h*) The Pacific Coast Bureau shall include all the Deaconess Institutions and Stations, except Training Schools, west of Utah.

(*i*) The Bureau for the Supervision of Colored Deaconesses shall include all Deaconess Work among colored people.

(*j*) The Deaconess Work in Utah shall be under the supervision of the Utah Bureau.

(*k*) The appointment of deaconesses to their fields of labor shall be made by the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, aided as she shall need, by the Secretaries of the different Deaconess Bureaus, each in her own field.

(*l*) The Board of Management of each Home shall report semi-annually on dates corresponding to the division of the fiscal year of the Society to the Secretary of the Bureau. The Secretary of the Bureau shall report annually to the General Superintendent.

(*m*) Auxiliaries in cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Managers shall be entitled to half the membership dues, which amount shall be returned to the Conference Treasurer.

(*n*) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient consecutive service as deaconesses, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(*o*) And such deaconess may be admitted to a Rest Home on the payment for her of $200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

(*p*) No promise of life support shall be made to those who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter a Rest Home.

(*q*) There shall be a Standing Committee for the purpose of creating and enlarging the Permanent Deaconess Fund.

(*r*) The Board of Management of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall be entitled to a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

(*s*) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be ten dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(*t*) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the Training Schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

(*u*) The Superintendent of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference in which that Home is located.

(*v*) The deaconesses of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society may select, annually, one of their own number who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to represent them at the meetings of the Conference Society.

Training Schools.

27. (*a*) The governing body of the National Training Schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be: The Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; but the Board shall act through its Bureau of National Training Schools, aided by the President of each school and his local Board of Directors.

(*b*) The President of the National Training Schools shall be nominated by the Bureau for National Training Schools and elected by the Board of Trustees.

(*c*) The Board of Trustees shall elect annually the teachers for each school. Nominations for the consideration of the Board of Trustees shall be made at the regular meetings in March of each year by the President and local Board of Directors of each school, and at the April meeting of the Board of Trustees by the Secretary of the Board for National

Training Schools. In electing teachers, however, the Trustees shall not be confined to the nominations so made.

(*d*) The President of each school, with the advice of his local Board of Directors, shall have the responsibility of the internal management and discipline of the school, and the recommendation of pupils for graduation in the various courses of instruction.

(*e*) The Bureau for National Training Schools, together with the President, shall determine the Course of Study, text-books, and standard of admission and graduation.

(Numbers *a* and *b* apply equally to all departments of the Training Schools.)

*(*f*) The local Board of Directors at Washington shall consist of five groups of three members each—fifteen in all—of which five shall be men and ten women. The term of office of each group is to be five years. At the regular monthly meeting in March the local Board of Directors shall nominate twice the number of persons required to fill vacancies which shall occur by expiration of the term of office or by other causes, from which the Board of Trustees will choose a sufficient number to fill vacancies. Vacancies occurring during the year may be filled by the local Board of Directors until the end of the current year.

(*g*) The local Board of Directors shall authorize the purchase of supplies for the table, fuel, and household expenses, including repairs and incidentals. Bills in all the departments shall be kept within the annual appropriations made by the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Any expenditure involving more than $500 shall first be referred to the National Training School Committee.

(*h*) All bills shall be audited by a committee of three appointed by the local Board of Directors, and a copy of such audit shall be filed with the Auditor of the National Training Schools Committee, who, by virtue of his office, shall be a member of the local Board of Directors of each Training School with voice and vote.

(*i*) The local Board of Directors, at their meeting in December, may elect one of their number, who, with the President of the School, shall be delegate with voice and vote to the meeting of the National Training School Committee in January and May.

(*j*) These By-laws relating to Training Schools may be changed at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. The recommendations for changes in or additions to these By-laws may be made at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees by the Bureau for National Training Schools and by the President and local Board of Directors of the respective schools.

(*k*) Actions of the Bureau for National Training Schools taken at the semi-annual meetings of the Committee are not subject to changes save by the Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

(*l*) All questions relating to or in any wise affecting real estate belonging to this Corporation shall be determined only by the Board of Trustees of this Society, or by such Committee as it may appoint for this purpose.

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*Number *f* relates to the local Executive Committee which are selected in a different way at each of the Training Schools to the degree that the local work is identified with the national work.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. Auxiliary Societies.—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. Conference Societies.—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Articles IV, Sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.

4. Board of Trustees.—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of December, and June.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer; and whenever held by either of these officers shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, Superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than July 15th of each year), carefully prepared estimates for their work for the coming year. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers acting as a Committee of the Whole.

8. The pledges for the work of this Society shall be sent by each Conference Corresponding Secretary to the Secretary of the Finance Committee one month before the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers. The Corresponding Secretary of each Conference shall be allowed to pledge a small amount over and above that already pledged by her Conference Society to meet deficiencies between appropriations granted and pledges received; also to meet new pleas presented in the meeting of Finance Committee.

9. All moneys received by bequest and devise by the Treasurer of a Conference Society shall be sent at once to the General Treasurer, who shall return it at once to the treasurer of the Conference Society.

This action is taken that the report of the General Treasurer may be more exact and cover all amounts received by the Conferences.

10. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and Recording Secretary of said Board.

11. The erection of building shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same, shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

12. The President and Recording Secretary of the Board of Trustees

shall be empowered to sign all deeds and contracts for the Society. The Treasurer shall be empowered to sign all notes of the Society.

IV.

BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and Schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly or through their Superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending plain garments or ordinary wearing apparel; (5) tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a Committee on Literature consisting of the General Corresponding Secretary of the Society, the Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*, the Editor of Publications, and the Secretary of Literature.

2. This Committee shall secure and furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields in the form of Books, Booklets, and Leaflets; upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence. All leaflets, booklets, etc., bearing the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the bills for printing which are to be paid from the treasury, shall receive the approval of the Committee on Literature before being put to press.

3. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees as will be of interest to the Society or to the general public.

VI.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

1. Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home missionary?
2. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?
3. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church at set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?
4. When and where were you born?
5. What are your domestic relations and obligations?
6. Have you a thorough English education?
7. In what schools have you taught, and how long?
8. Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?
9. Can you cut and fit dresses, and teach sewing and millinery?
10. Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking?
11. Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. 1. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3) Good health; (4) Educational fitness; (5) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6) Aptness to teach.

2. Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

3. The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

4. When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission field.

5. The Board of Trustees at its quarterly meeting in April shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year, and appoint them for the coming year.

6. A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees; and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed $40 per month.

VII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[Note.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.

3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committee at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

4. At the quarterly meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This Committee shall report its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4) Reports of Special Committees; (5) Unfinished business; (6) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business; (2) Scholarships; (3) Missionary Candidates; (4) Annual Meeting; (5) Literature; (6) *Woman's Home Missions;* (7) Transportation; (8) Mite-boxes; (9) Bequest and Devise; (10) Insurance; (11) Thank-offering; (12) Office.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it. This Executive Board shall determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, and of a delegate and alternate as provided in Section VII, No. 3, Young People's Work.

3. Order of business: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Introduction of delegates; (3) Appointment of committees; (4) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5) Report of Treasurer; (6) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7) Reports of District Officers; (8) Report of Secretaries of Departments; (9) Reports of committees; (10) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (11) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1) Annual Meeting; (2) By-laws; (3) *Woman's Home Missions.*

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The four general officers, President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference. No Conference Society shall be allowed to have salaried officers except the Conference Organizer, and her salary shall be such as has been provided for by the By-laws of the Society.

8. Every Auxiliary Society and Young People's Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, and fraction thereof. Auxiliaries and Young People's Societies of less than twenty members shall be entitled to one delegate; also the Board of Management of a Deaconess Home or Mission Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be entitled to a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, Secretaries of Departments, and Conference Organizers, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her district. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the District Superintendent and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, Secretary of Systematic Beneficence, Secretary of Literature, Secretary of Temperance, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also select a Manager for National Training Schools.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ———— on the —— of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues, honorary membership dues, or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Mite-box and Thank-offering funds raised under the auspices of the Society shall be devoted *only* to some department of the work of the Society.

15. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys and vouchers sent to the General Treasurer.

16. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute twenty cents a member annually, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

17. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

18. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work

at camp-meetings held on the district. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

19. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods for organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

20. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective Organizers.

21. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

22. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee, appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose, before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

23. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the —— of ———, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

24. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

NOTE.—In Conferences where the interests of the work demand it, supplementary by-laws adapted to the local needs may be adopted by the Conference Annual Meeting, provided they do not conflict with the spirit of the Constitution.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the ———— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Art. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the district if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

Art. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ———— District shall be a member of the Association.

Art. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers having been nominated and elected by ballot shall constitute the Executive Committee of the District Association.

Art. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold the Contingent Fund of the district, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

Art. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers

and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

Art. 7. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ————, Auxiliary to the ———— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of the needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

Art. 3. Any person paying one dollar per year and twenty cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society; and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

Art. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretary of Literature, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

Art. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ———— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ———— day of ————, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

Art. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and to provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions.*

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. She shall keep a file of *Woman's Home Missions, Children's Home Missions*, and the Annual Reports for reference; take and forward orders for the same. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

7. Order of exercises for monthly meetings: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Reading and approval of minutes; (3) Reports from members of work done; (4) Report of Treasurer, in writing; (5) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (6) Unfinished business; (7) Miscellaneous business; (8) "Concert Lesson;" (9) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of Three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. There shall be a Contingent Fund provided either by the assessment of ten cents per member, or by a penny collection at the regular meetings, or by any other method devised by the Auxiliary.

11. Each woman connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

12. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE I.

It shall be the duty of the Department of Young People's Work (1) to awaken and sustain interest among young people in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; (2) to organize Young Woman's Auxiliaries and Queen Esther Circles.

Young women paying annual dues of $1, with ten cents Contingent Fund, may be organized into Auxiliaries. Young people paying five cents a month (fifty cents annually for General and ten cents for Contingent Fund) may be organized into Queen Esther Circles, and may be under the supervision of an older person called a Director.

Conferences having ten or more Young People's organizations may elect a young woman as a delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II.—Local Organization.

Section 1. This Society shall be called Young Woman's Auxiliary or Queen Esther Circle of ..... Methodist Episcopal Church.

Sec. 2. The object of this organization shall be to interest young people in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to learn of the need for missionary work in our own country and what is being done to meet it, and to raise funds for such work.

Sec. 3. Any young person fourteen years of age or over, paying fifty cents dues per annum and ten cents Contingent Fund, may be a member of the Queen Esther Circle.

Any young person paying one dollar dues and ten cents Contingent Fund annually may be a member of the Young Woman's Auxiliary.

Any person paying one dollar per year dues may become an honorary member of either organization.

Sec. 4. The officers of these organizations shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, a Secretary of Literature, a Secretary of Supplies, a Secretary of Home Mission Reading Circles, and a Mite-box Secretary.

Sec. 5. Meetings of this Society shall be held at ..... on the ..... of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be held in June of each year, at which time reports shall be made and officers elected for the coming year.

Sec. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

1. The President shall preside at the meetings of the Society, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence and shall seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct list of the members and records of the proceedings of the Society, and shall provide the pastor with notices of its meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Society, and send quarterly reports of its work to the District Secretary of Young People's Work, if there be one; if not, to the Conference Secretary of Young People's Work. If there be neither District nor Conference Secretary for this department, she shall send such reports to the Conference Corresponding Secretary. She shall also notify the same officers of changes in the officers of the Society.

5. The Treasurer shall have charge of all money of the Society. She shall collect membership dues, keep a book account thereof, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer. Aside from dues, pledges, and mite-box money, a Contingent Fund shall also be provided for the expenses of the Society.

6. The Vice-President and Director shall be members of the Program Committee, and other members may be added.

7. The Mite-box Secretary shall secure and distribute mite-boxes to members of the Society and to others, that thus interest may be created and the work helped. At a designated meeting the mite-boxes shall be opened by a committee of which the Mite-box Secretary shall be Chairman. This committee shall report to the Society the amount of money collected, paying the same to the Treasurer, and shall also report to the District Mite-box Secretary.

8. The Secretary of Literature shall order the leaflets, periodicals, text-books, and other publications connected with the work of the Circle or Auxiliary. It is also her special duty to urge the securing and use of the same.

9. The Secretary of Reading Circles shall urge the organization of Reading Circles and Home Mission Study Classes aside from the regular meetings of the Society, in accordance with the plans made by the General Secretary of Reading Circles.

10. The Secretary of Supplies shall seek to arouse interest in this department by making the Society familiar with the needs and calls for such help on the frontier and from our homes and schools, as well as

from local interests, such as Deaconess Work, that are under the control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

11. The Society may give public literary and musical entertainments at which full reports may be made, thus arousing sympathy and interest in the Church for its work. Such entertainments, whatever the program, should always emphasize the thought and work of Home Missions.

12. Each member of the Society shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

13. Order of exercises for monthly meetings: Devotional service, reading of minutes, report (or statement) of Treasurer, report of Corresponding Secretary, discussion of plans of work, unfinished and miscellaneous business, program, adjournment.

14. These By-laws may be amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

CONSTITUTION FOR HOME GUARDS.

Article 1. This organization shall be called the ..... Home Guards of ..... Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 2. The object of this organization is to interest the children and youth of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

Art. 3. The officers of this organization shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the organization; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

Art. 4. Any child or young person, fourteen years of age or under, with consent of parents or guardians, may become a member of the Home Guards by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee. The payment of $2.50 shall constitute a life membership.

Art. 5. The Home Guards may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 6. The Home Guards may support a beneficiary, furnish mission supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work they may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

Art. 7. This organization may become a part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society by contributing to its work in its various fields, and all work done by them shall be under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money and vouchers must be sent through their Treasurer to the Conference Treasurer.

Art. 8. The annual meeting of the Home Guards for the election of officers shall be held on .....

Art. 9. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR HOME GUARDS.

1. The meetings of this organization shall be held on ..... of every .....

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their Societies, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. Order of Exercises for Regular Meeting: (1) Devotional exercises; (2) Reading and approval of minutes; (3) Report of Treasurer; (4) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (5) Report of Home Guards; (6) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (7) Program; (8) Adjournment.

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

CONSTITUTION FOR MOTHERS' JEWELS.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the Mothers' Jewels of ..... Church.

Art. 2. The object of this Society is to help other children by working with the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Art. 3. Any boy or girl ten years old or younger may join this Society by paying dues of ten cents a year. The payment of $1 shall constitute a Mothers' Jewel life membership.

Art. 4. The Society shall be under the charge of an adult leader, and its officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Art. 5. The members of the Society shall raise money under the direction of their leader (in addition to paying the dues), to help take care of children in the various Homes of our Society.

BY-LAWS FOR MOTHERS' JEWELS.

1. The time and place of meetings and the programs for the same shall be under the direction of the leader.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

BEQUEST—(***Personal Estate***)—*I give and bequeath to the* ***Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,*** *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of..... .... and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

DEVISE—(***Real Estate***)—*I give and devise to the* ***Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,*** *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say: ..... to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.*

NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.

RATES OF ANNUITY.

Where it is practical, in the place of making a bequest, it is far better to convert property into cash and place same in the treasury of the Missionary Society at once, on the annuity plan. By so doing all possibility of litigation is avoided, and a fair income is assured.

The following rates are given:

To persons from 50 to 55 years of age.....4 per cent
To persons from 56 to 60 years of age.....4½ per cent
To persons from 61 to 65 years of age.....5 per cent
To persons from 66 to 70 years of age.....5½ per cent
To persons 70 years and over.....6 per cent

Special cases shall be arranged for by the Trustees having in charge bequests and annuities.

This plan removes all risk of broken wills through skill of lawyers and uncertainty of courts.

DONATION $1,000.	ANNUITY 5%

CERTIFICATE OF ANNUITY.

(Insert donor's name.) (Insert residence.)

..... *of* .....

having donated the sum of **One Thousand Dollars** *to THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, subject, however, to the payment by said Society of an* **annuity** *of five per cent per annum on said sum for and during her natural life, which donation has been accepted, subject to the condition aforesaid; NOW, THEREFORE, said Society hereby agrees to pay said annuity to the order of said donor in semi-annual installments, being the sum of* **Twenty-five Dollars,** *payable on the first day of January, and a like sum of* **Twenty-five Dollars,** *payable on the first day of July of each and every year hereafter, so long as the said* ..... *shall live; and after her death said Society shall not be subject to any payment on account of said donation.*

This Society *shall have the immediate right to use said donation for any of its purposes.*

In Witness Whereof *said Society has caused its corporate name to be hereunto subscribed and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed at the City of Cincinnati, by Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, its Treasurer, thereunto duly authorized, this.....day of..... one thousand nine hundred and.....*

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
BY

.....
TREASURER.

CORPORATE SEAL.

NOTE.—Form of Annuity Certificate. The above form is for a donation of $1,000, with annuity of five per cent. It can readily be changed either in amount or in the rate per cent, or in both, so as to comply with the facts and contract in each case.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the State of Ohio, desiring to become incorporated under the laws of Ohio, in such cases made and provided, do hereby subscribe and acknowledge the following Articles of Incorporation :

First. The name of the corporation shall be "THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

Second. The said corporation shall be located at *Cincinnati*, Hamilton County, Ohio.

Third. The said corporation is not for profit, but is wholly benevolent and charitable.

Fourth. The purpose and objects of the corporation shall be to enlist and organize Christian women to labor in behalf of needy and destitute women and children in all parts of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Methodist Episcopal Church in educational and missionary work; to employ women to work in destitute localities; to instruct the ignorant and unfortunate in the practice of industry and economy; and in the principles of sanitary law and morality, and to establish schools and evangelistic agencies throughout the United States and Territories.

Thus done and certified at *Cincinnati, Ohio*, this *20th* day of *November*, A. D., *1884*.

ELIZA G. DAVIS,	[Seal.]
ELIZABETH RUST,	[Seal.]
E. J. FOWLER WILLING,	[Seal.]
M. E. AMPT,	[Seal.]
LOUISA HEMESETH.	[Seal.]

The State of Ohio, Hamilton County, ss.:

Be it remembered that on the *20th* day of *November*, *1884*, before me the subscriber, a *Notary Public* in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared *Eliza G. Davis, Elizabeth Rust, E. J. Fowler Willing, M. E. Ampt*, and *Louisa Hemeseth*, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing articles of incorporation, and severally acknowledged that they respectively signed and sealed the same as their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my *Notarial Seal*, the day and year last aforesaid.

WM. J. T. WILSON,
Notary Public, Hamilton County, O.

{(SEAL.)}

The State of Ohio, County of Hamilton, ss.:

I, *Daniel J. Dalton, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas*, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of record in this office that *Wm. J. T. Wilson*, whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, was at the time of taking such proof, or acknowledgment, a Notary Public in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified, and duly authorized to administer oaths, to take acknowledgments of deeds, etc.

And further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of said *Wm. J. T. Wilson*, and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate, or proof of acknowledgment, is genuine. I further certify that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of this State.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said Court, at Cincinnati, this 21st day of November, A. D., 1884.

{(SEAL.)}

Daniel J. Dalton, Clerk.
By Richard C. Rohner, Deputy.

(Certificate under Section 906, Revised Statutes of the United States.)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
STATE OF OHIO,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

I, LEWIS C. LAYLIN, *Secretary of State of the State of Ohio*, and being the officer who, under the Constitution and Laws of said State, is duly constituted the keeper of the record of articles of incorporation of all companies incorporated under the laws thereof, and the records of all papers relating to the creation of said incorporated companies, and empowered to authenticate exemplifications of the same, do hereby certify that the annexed instrument is an exemplified copy, carefully prepared by me with the original record now in my official custody as Secretary of State, and found to be true and correct, of the Articles of Incorporation of "The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," filed in this office on the *22d* day of *November*, A. D. *1884*, and recorded in *Volume 31, Page 242*, of the *Records of Incorporations;* that said exemplification is in due form and made by me as the proper officer, and is entitled to have full faith and credit given it in every court and office within the United States.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto attached my official signature and the Great Seal of the State of Ohio, at Columbus, this 1st day of March, A. D., 1902.

Lewis C. Laylin, *Secretary of State.*
[Signed.]

SEAL.

BUREAUS.

COLORED WORK.

GEORGIA.—Thayer Home, South Atlanta, Ga., 1883.
Haven Home, Speedwell Home, Savannah, Ga., 1885.

FLORIDA.—Boylan Home Industrial Training School, Jacksonville, Fla., 1886.
Brewster Hospital and Nurse Training School, Jacksonville, Fla., 1901.
Emerson Memorial Home and School, Ocala, 1893.

EAST CENTRAL STATES.—Allen Industrial Home, Asheville, N. C.
Lurandus Beach Industrial School, N. C.
Browning Industrial Home, Camden, S. C.
Mather Academy, Camden, S. C.

WEST CENTRAL STATES.—Kent Industrial Home, Greensboro, N. C., 1885.
New Jersey Conference Industrial Home, Morristown, Tenn., 1892.

WEST SOUTHERN STATES.—Adaline Smith Industrial Home, Little Rock, Ark.
Peck School of Domestic Science and Art, New Orleans, La.
English and Italian Mission, New Orleans.

MISSISSIPPI.—Elizabeth L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss., 1884.

TEXAS.—King Industrial Home, Marshall, Texas, 1891.
Eliza Dee Industrial Home, Austin, Texas, 1904.

WHITE WORK.

ALABAMA AND GEORGIA.—Rebecca McClesky Industrial Home, Boaz, Ala.
Settlement Work, Cedartown, Ga.

MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE.—Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.
Bennett Academy, Clarkson, Miss., 1884.
Elizabeth Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn., 1891.
American Highlanders.

NORTH CAROLINA:—Ebenezer Mitchell Home and School, Lenoir, N. C.
Community Schools.

UTAH.—Schools, Homes, and Missions in Salt Lake City, Provo, Elsinore, Logan, Mt. Pleasant, Moroni, Spring City, Ogden, and Ephraim.

SPANISH WORK.

NEW MEXICO (SPANISH AND ENGLISH).—Harwood Industrial Home and School, 14th and Fruit Ave., Albuquerque, N. M., 1896.
Tucson Industrial School, 7th Ave., Tucson, Ariz., 1906.
Settlement Work, El Paso, Texas.

SPANISH WORK ON PACIFIC COAST.—Frances DePauw Spanish Industrial School, Los Angeles, Cal., 1889.

PORTO RICO.—George O. Robinson Orphanage and Industrial Home for Girls, San Juan, Porto Rico.
McKinley Kindergarten, San Juan, Porto Rico.
McKinley Kindergarten, Puerta de Tierra, Porto Rico.
Fisk Kindergarten, Ponce, Porto Rico.
Williams Kindergarten, Vieques Island, Porto Rico.

INDIAN WORK.

INDIAN AND MEXICAN WORK.—Navajo Mission, Farmington, N. M., 1890.
KANSAS AND OKLAHOMA.—The Pottawatomies, Mayette, Kan.
The Poncas, White Eagle, Okla.
PACIFIC COAST.—Noosack Indian Mission, Everson, Wash.
Yuma Indian Mission, Yuma, Ariz.
Greenville Indian Mission, Greenville, Cal.

CHINESE WORK.

Oriental Home for Chinese Girls, Washington St., San Francisco, Cal.
Missions in San Francisco, Oakland, and Los Angeles.

JAPANESE AND KOREAN WORK.

Susannah Wesley Home, 1444 King St., Honolulu, H. I.
Ellen Stark Ford Home, 2025 Pine St., San Francisco, Cal.
Jane Crouch Memorial Home, 1350 S. Burlington Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.
David and Margaret Home, Los Angeles, Cal., 1910.
Katherine J. Blaine Home, 11th and Terrace St., Seattle, Wash.

ALASKA WORK.

Jesse Lee Industrial Home, Unalaska, Alaska, 1890.
Hilah Seward Industrial Home, Sinuk, Alaska, 1909.
Settlement, Nome, Alaska, 1911.

IMMIGRANT WORK.

Immigrant Girls' Home, 9 State St., New York, N. Y., 1889.
Immigrant Girls' Home, 72-74 Marginal St., East Boston, Mass., 1888.
Philadelphia Immigrant Work, 1889-1897.
Philadelphia Immigrant Station, 1897.
Angel Island, San Francisco, Cal., 1911.

CITY WORK.

E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill., 1884.
Glenn Home, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1890.
Hull Street and Medical Mission, Boston, Mass.
Italian Mission, Rochester, N. Y.
Utica Italian Settlement, Utica, N. Y.
Anthracite Slavonic Mission, Hazelton, Pa.

ORPHANAGES.

Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb., 1890.
Cunningham Children's Home, Urbana, Ill., 1895.
Watts de Peyster Industrial Home and School for Girls, Tivoli, N. Y.
Elizabeth A. Bradley Children's Home, Hulton, Pa.

Deaconess Work.

DEACONESS BUREAUS.

Eastern, Central, Western, Pacific Coast, Utah, Colored.

NATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR DEACONESSES AND MISSIONARIES.

Lucy Webb Hayes, Washington, D. C., 1891.
Kansas City, 1899.
San Francisco, 1893.
McCrum (Slavonic), Uniontown, Pa., 1909.
Grace (Colored), Nashville, Tenn., 1911.

CONFERENCE TRAINING SCHOOLS.

Aldrich Memorial (Michigan Conference), Grand Rapids, Mich., 1897.
Brooklyn Training School (N. Y. East Conf.), Brooklyn, N. Y., 1892.
Dwight W. Blakeslee Memorial (N. Y. East Conf.), New Haven, Conn., 1905.
Iowa Bible Training School (Des Moines Conference), Des Moines, Iowa, 1899.

HOSPITALS.

Beth-El Deaconess Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Burge Deaconess Hospital, 1327 Jefferson St., Springfield, Mo.
The Ellen B. Flower Deaconess Home and Hospital, 3336 Collingwood Ave., Toledo, Ohio.
Graham Protestant Hospital, Keokuk, Iowa.
The Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of the State of Indiana, Indianapolis, Ind.
The Methodist Hospital of Southern California, Los Angeles, Cal.
Sibley Memorial Hospital, 1150 N. Capitol Street, Washington, D. C.
Brewster Hospital, Jacksonville, Fla., 1901.

REST HOMES.

Bancroft Rest Home, 74 Cookman Ave., Ocean Grove, N. J.
Caroline Rest Home, Round Lake, N. Y.
Elmira Olney Rest Cottage, Epworth near Ludington, Mich.
Kate Cunningham Rest Cottage, Ridgeview Park, Ridgeview, Pa.
Thompson Rest Home, Mountain Lake Park, Md.
Wing Rest Home, Huntington Beach, Cal.

EMERGENCY HOME.

Methodist Episcopal Emergency Home for Girls, St. Louis, Mo.

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